

Proactive Vessel Management

Enhancing Indigenous Partnerships for
Oceans Protection on the South Coast

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Proactive Vessel Management (PVM) under OPP



New way to work together in our local waterways to:

- better manage marine shipping issues
- Improve marine safety and reduce negative impacts from shipping

Goals of PVM



Long-term:

- Improve collaboration with First Nations and coastal communities in the management of vessel traffic in local waterways
- Establish/identify forums and processes to support collaboration

Short-term:

- Develop national framework and policy/program options for implementation

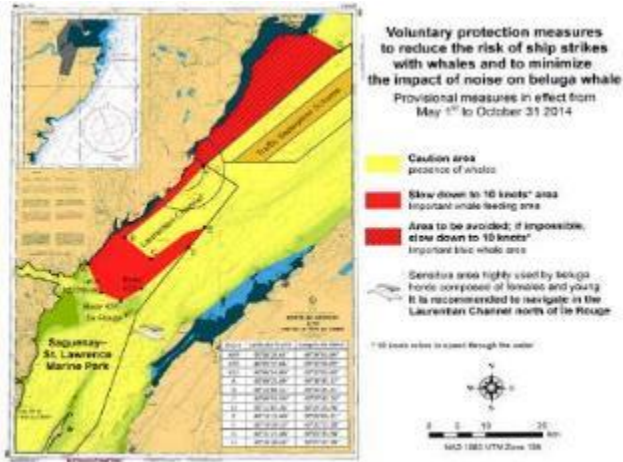
Examples of marine traffic issues/conflicts



- Safe navigation of ships in local waterways
- Safety of interactions between local waterway users and commercial vessels
- Reduced access to traditional fishing grounds
- Impacts to environmentally and culturally sensitive areas



Examples of management measures



- Improved communications and access to real-time maritime information
- Best practices
- Standards of Care
- Speed restrictions
- Changes to shipping routes and lanes
- Local areas to be avoided
- Additional pilots
- Escort tugs



National PVM Framework



Sample elements:

- Guiding principles
- Governance
- Information gathering, sharing, analysis
- Stewardship
- Mitigation measures
- Monitoring & compliance

Current status & timelines



- Preliminary engagement on draft framework – in progress
- Finalisation of discussion paper for engagement – May 2018
- Consultant reports - completed
- Selection and launch of pilot projects in Arctic and BC (present – Sept 2019)
- Engagement outside pilot project – on-going

Questions

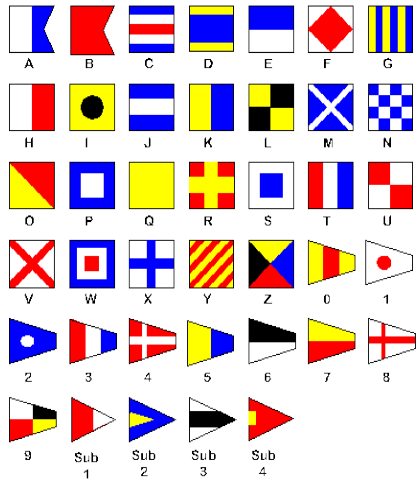


Discussion



- Looking ahead, and given the shared nature of our waterways, how might Indigenous groups work together to engage and participate in a potential future PVM roll-out in the South Coast?
- What are some key considerations that would inform whether and how groups chose to participate?

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