

**Frenchman Bay Planning Survey
 In Preparation for the Frenchman Bay Stakeholder's Meeting November 10th, 2010
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Pre-Stakeholder Meeting Survey Results

1. In your opinion, how important is setting shared goals for the health of Frenchman Bay and the people who depend on it?

not important	important	very important	imperative	total
1	4	13	9	27

Comments:

1. Unless we develop a shared set of goals, we cannot move forward with plans to protect or restore bay resources.
2. Without a shared goal, one group could undo all the work of everyone else.
3. Unless all users cooperate, there is little chance for assuring protection of the resources of the Bay.
4. If we don't understand each others needs and wants, we can end up working against each other rather than together.
5. I don't believe the type and intensity of threats to FB make this effort imperative at this time.
6. As a lifelong resident of Lamoine and a part-time lobster fisherman, and as the chair of the Joint Municipal Board overseeing the new 7-town Frenchman Bay regional shellfish ordinance, I continue to be concerned about the health of the bay. I have had concern for several years about clam flat closures due to fecal coliform pollution and mussel draggers dragging off the eel grass beds that used to be so abundant off Lamoine and Trenton shorelines.
7. Shared goals are likely to lead to a higher likelihood of success in meeting those goals, finding funding, etc.
8. Future usage is everyone's problem.
9. The health of watershed is the most important goal for our region. Goals need to lead to sustainable harvests of marine resources.
10. The bay needs to benefit all people: fishermen, homeowners, boaters and recreation, etc.

2. If you think setting goals is important, what is your level of interest in seeing the development of a consensus-based work plan to address issues that people agree are impediments to achieving those goals?

none	low	medium	high	total
1	0	7	19	27

Comments:

1. Planning will help all everyone be able to continue using and enjoying and profiting from the bay. But we must agree together on the contents of that plan to be sure no one is left out.
2. When people buy into a plan, they are much more likely to follow it than one imposed from outside.
3. My interest would be high if the planning effort addresses a range of threats and has an attainable action agenda.
4. I would have answered "high" but I have no time left to give of myself toward addressing the issues in a larger way...I'm all "tapped out".
5. Multi-town cooperation is necessary.

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3. What kind of process do you think would best secure the future of Frenchman Bay? You can make more than one choice.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Ecosystem-Based Bay Management planning (EBM)--EBM considers not only the natural ecosystem but the economy and human interactions within the ecosystem.	25.9%	7
Marine Spatial Planning (MSP)--MSP is a tool that helps stakeholders to make decisions about how to use marine resources. MSP uses maps to create a more comprehensive picture of a marine area - identifying where and how an ocean area is being used and what natural resources and habitat exist.	18.5%	5
Conservation Action Planning (CAP)--CAP is a tool that helps stakeholders to identify effective conservation strategies--on land or at sea. It provides an objective, consistent and transparent accounting of conservation actions and the intended and actual outcomes of conservation projects.	25.9%	7
A combination of strategies	81.5%	22
I don't know but I think that some type of planning is important.	7.4%	2
We do not need to engage in a planning process to secure the future of Frenchman Bay at this time.	3.7%	1
We do not need to engage in a planning process to secure the future of Frenchman Bay ever.	7.4%	2

Comments:

1. I am leaning toward conservation action planning with elements of marine spatial planning included
2. We may come up with our own plan for plans.
3. Having data about uses of and health of various species is critical to any planning process.

Pre-Stakeholder Meeting Survey Demographics

1. What is your connection to Frenchman Bay? Check all that apply.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
fisherman	20.0%	5
fishing family member	8.0%	2
aquaculture lease site owner	4.0%	1
waterfront property owner	40.0%	10
recreational boater	56.0%	14
shellfish harvester	20.0%	5
state agency representative	4.0%	1
non-profit representative	36.0%	9
educator who uses the bay for education	8.0%	2
researcher with planned projects in the bay	12.0%	3
town official	32.0%	8
town committee member	12.0%	3
business owner	24.0%	6
Other (please specify)	16%	4
<i>answered question</i>		25
<i>skipped question</i>		2

Other:

1. federal government representative (Acadia)
2. federal agency representative
3. commercial boat tour employee
4. I have had a mussel lease off Old Pt Lamoine since 1982, 90 acres. (This was even before much development.) I have seen the bay grow from nothing to what it is today. We do need to guide our future.

2. Where are you from? Check one.

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Bar Harbor	55.6%	10
Trenton	16.7%	3
Lamoine	16.7%	3
Hancock	11.1%	2
Other (please specify)	39%	7
<i>answered question</i>		18
<i>skipped question</i>		9

Other:

Blue Hill Bay, Seal Harbor, Portland, Sullivan, Jonesport, business located on Bar Harbor Waterfront, interests relevant to conservation properties held in multiple towns.