

Principles/Goals – what the Act says the plan should do or what values it should incorporate (Oceans Act)	Findings - context of goals (Link between goals/objectives; incorporates wkgroups, baseline, public/SH comment)	Objectives - what we want the plan to do, more specifically (Desired outcome; product of findings; qualitative or quantitative, general, accepted/articulated by most SHs as desirable; will be refined into “management actions”; now or later question)	Management Actions – specific actions that describe how we achieve the objective
<p><u>I. Protect/enhance marine environment through [EBM]</u> Value biodiversity and ecosystem health</p> <p>Identify and protect special, sensitive or unique estuarine and marine life and habitats</p> <p>Respect the interdependence of ecosystems</p> <p>Adapt to evolving knowledge and understanding of the ocean environment</p>	<p>There are significant gaps in information and state definition and capacity to define/address ‘ecosystem-based management.’ We have XYZ data (baseline and workgroups). We know we want to get to XYZ (wkgroups, public/SH, OAC, SAC). To get to a first-order understanding of the issue and how to address in plan 1.0, we need XYZ. To do that we need to do XYZ.</p> <p>HIGH frequency from public</p> <p>HIGH importance to stakeholders</p>	<p>Preserve/protect/restore marine species, populations and processes</p> <p>Characterize and mitigate impacts to ecosystem health</p> <p>Site uses to minimize impacts to ecosystem health</p> <p>Identify and protect special, sensitive or unique estuarine and marine life and habitats</p> <p>Improve understanding of ecosystem processes (components/values/resiliency)</p> <p>Develop decision-making tools that consider interdependence</p> <p>Improve understanding of ecosystem processes (components/values/resiliency)</p> <p>Ensure that plan and future revisions incorporate best available information and is adaptable to changing environmental, economic, and social conditions</p>	<p>Develop clear, science-based criteria for identifying species/habitats of special significance</p> <p>Delineate species/habitats and identify those appropriate for highest level of protection based on existing data</p> <p>Develop and implement spatial and/or performance-based management standards for species/habitats of special significance</p> <p>Prioritize areas that appear appropriate but that require additional data as basis for on-going plan development</p>

<p><u>II. Protect/enhance fishing</u></p> <p>Reflect the importance of the waters of the Commonwealth to its citizens who derive livelihoods and recreational benefits from fishing</p>	<p>HIGH frequency from public HIGH importance to stakeholders</p>	<p>Preserve opportunity for commercial and recreational fishing Integrate commercial and recreational fishing issues in planning decisions</p>	
<p><u>III. Manage using good information and practices and in consideration of all benefits/impacts to public</u></p> <p>Set forth the Commonwealth's goals, siting priorities and standards for ensuring effective stewardship of its ocean waters held in trust for the benefit of the public</p> <p>Adhere to sound management practices, taking into account the existing natural, social, cultural, historic and economic characteristics of the planning areas</p>	<p>Benefits of doing so a strong theme of stakeholder comments</p> <p>Medium frequency from public</p>	<p>Reflect overall policy goals of the Commonwealth from other statutes Develop goals, siting priorities, and standards that reflect plan policies/objectives Define appropriate scale Develop performance standards Reflect regional (and other appropriately-scaled) environmental, economic, and cultural distinctions Maximize benefits and minimize impacts to ecosystem services through siting decisions Ensure state agency decisions and regulatory reviews are consistent with the plan Ensure that plan and future revisions incorporate best available information and is adaptable to changing environmental, economic, and social conditions</p>	

<p>Address climate change and sea-level rise</p> <p>Coordinate uses that include international, federal, state and local jurisdictions</p> <p>Identify appropriate locations and performance standards for activities, uses and facilities allowed in Ocean Sanctuaries</p> <p>Encourage public participation in decision-making</p> <p>Preserve and protect the public trust</p> <p>Preserve and enhance public access</p>		<p>HIGH frequency from public [HIGH] importance to stakeholders</p>	<p>Characterize short-, medium-, and long-range impacts from climate change and develop appropriate response</p> <p>Be consistent with other plans, initiatives, and other activities across jurisdictions</p> <p>Pursue opportunities to clarify existing regulatory provisions, regulations, performance standards, requirements</p> <p>Produce map indicating areas for allowable, conditional, and/or not allowable uses, activities, and facilities</p> <p>Develop performance standards to implement plan policies by directing regulatory review of proposed uses, activities, and facilities.</p> <p>Implement public review process as part of future plan revision</p> <p>Use public comment mechanisms in existing regulatory processes</p> <p>Maximize benefits to the citizens of the Commonwealth through protection and development of ocean resources and uses</p> <p>Preserve and enhance public access</p>	
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<p><u>IV. Support renewable uses and allow necessary infrastructure</u></p> <p>Foster sustainable uses that capitalize on economic opportunity without significant detriment to the ecology or natural beauty of the ocean</p> <p>Support the infrastructure necessary to sustain the economy and quality of life for the citizens of the commonwealth</p>			
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