Advisory Council Workshop – 2/23/99

Tom Lindburg –

- neither A nor B meets needs
 - Existing conditions degraded
 - Current funding

Native American consultation

Deer Island process – March 4

Bill (Giezentanner?) –

- Be realistic about conditions
- How many people on each island?

Rob Moir -

- Level of detail not sought now
- Marina on Long Island

John Lewis -

Minimum EIS requirements

Angela Olszewski -

- Don't polarize preservation vs. recreation
- How many visitors?
- How to attract \$\$\$
- Don't limit opportunities, potential –ex audio tape
- Hybrid some areas primitive but others more built up

Pat -

- Public private need to raise money
- What kind of balance? What level of development needed to attract funding

Suzanne Gall Marsh -

- Lots to see more than can be seen in 1 day; Access is critical
- Why focus on Georges and Spectacle
 - Peddocks has a 2 million-dollar pier?
 - When will Deer be open
- Concept of Partnership not left to each owner only mixed rangers

Tom Lindburg -

- Partnership to leverage funds for islands e.g. Peddocks
- Agencies putting in matching funds
- MWRA contributing 30 million dollars Deer & Nut
- Partnership doesn't have a conflict resolution program

George Price -

- Assume broad plan then lots more planning
- Shopping list of project for next 15 years

Jack Wiggin -

• Short term realistic and long term more idealistic

Tom Lindberg -

Need to know costs and be realistic

Greg Kecthen -

- Spectrum is not so broad
- Treat islands differently
- What is the bracket of the spectrum?

Rob Moir -

• Example, what do we do if 20 cigar boats were donated?

Tom Lindberg –

- Cluster islands
- Treat each differently

John Dinga -

- Some islands no matter how much built won't get people e.g. Great Brewster pier wiped out
- Community turned its back to harbor, some people may want to play tennis, rollerblade

Jack Wiggin -

- A shouldn't have less visitation as an objective
- Sustainability not mentioned
- Natural areas and developed areas
- Visitor service not high impact on natural resources
- Never limit visitation, don't expect 2 million people

Rob -

Boat rides too

Tom -

Clusters: Industrial, Large/developed, Brewsters, Hingham & World's End

Bill G. -

Key features A&B all look good

Greg -

- Clusters, outer islands
- Natural barrier, Long Deer
- (inside toward city; outside & Middle)
- people would learn what to expect on each Island e.g. A Brewster, B peddocks

Gary -

What about internment sites

Suzanne

- A lot of disappointed people (with the resource)
- Lack of partnership cooperation
- Need to help educate people
- Public access to Great Brewster, no to build great pier but seasonal float. FBHI took 300 people, seemed too many at one time

Rob

Consider Long & Deer Islands as Hubs to tell story of the Native Americans

John Dinga –

Geographic considerations, N. Shore

Bill G.

From Hub to others

Pat -

- Key features A&B lots of time
- Seems A is the 1st 5-10 yrs & B would evolve over 10-15 years

Tom

• Imperative to get visitation to the islands – GET KIDS out there, basketball, skateboards

Suzanne

- Should there be activities not adopted??
- Shouldn't raise expectations or have same things as city offers

John Lewis

Exciting things to be done on islands

George Marsh

Wants quiet not skateboards

Rob

Noise is an issue, OK to skateboard, not amplified

Jack

• Not on any island?

George Marsh -

- Not any old baseball....
- Something different for mainland

Vivian

- Build activities on the resource take advantage of
- There will be proposals, cabins etc...B&B, campgrounds
- Needs to be enough? (looked like enuf) activities

Edith

- Don't want more of the city out there. Quiet.
- Should be different type of environment

Claudia -

Unfair for adults to decide what kids would like

Greg

- Build on resources there, not golf course, vehicles races
- Common theme
- Noise concerts on certain islands OK
- Retail at gateways

Regina

- Land gateways could take some development, that might meet needs for activities
- Some islands should have nothing done, others maybe (looks like mateble)
- Boat trips

Tom

- Who decides? Who pays?
- MWRA may be biggest contributor

Rob

- When Mall of America comes, can we answer?
- Hearing comments toward res, preservation & not thrills of recreation
- A could carry more people than B

Bill G.

• Everything in B could go into A except non resource based recreation

Rob

Anything in B that does not relate to resource can go into A

Greg

- Concert?
- Halloween?
- 10K race

Rob

Case by case, Does it hurt resource?

Joe?

- Specific uses for specific islands
- Need management decision making spetrade??? Out
- Eliminated recreation will eliminate major \$\$\$ & people drawn

Edith

Managers need to oversee but can have concerts – people go to recreate

Liz

If combination – how to rank or invoke goals & guiding principles

John Lewis

Hiking in mountains is recreation

Pat

Start with A resource, get people interested – evolve toward development