

CT NERR Meeting Notes – 5/16/2017

## Questions

Multi site question..ie are all candidates multiple – yes

Will there be opportunities to assess the uses permitted during the site selection process – no..this will likely occur during the management plan process

A NERR won't add additional restrictions, PJAuster tried to clarify this a bit.

Clarify the multi site ..what are the red lines..the maps represent draft offshore areas. ? of \$ for facilities..none are required ..but there will be a need for some facilities to support the programs. There are funds available to support the development of these facilities. Some areas (eg Barn Island) don't/won't support buildings.

Site designation doesn't exclude other activities ..(Sylvain DeGuise comment)...MS example

Comment re: Niantic Bay area has area and \$ for education ..was it considered? KOB – we looked at the state parks..the SST is happy w/ the four short list sites as candidates..we could have overlooked sites,

Webex ??s

Are you considering the watershed as part of the sites since many of the educational activities occur and deal w/ ...

What is match?...a variety of sources ..non-federal ..? what about the states financial issues and how will this impact funding. Yes it is an issue but there are multiple models to achieve the match

Will you be sharing this info? Yes the Webex is recorded..the PPT will be on the DEEP web site

? the permitted activities in the two nearest NERRS are quite different...if there is a change of uses will that be communicated? The slide is not exhaustive..representative of the flexibility. RE: any changes...not likely to happen, not likely to change..in the offshore areas if things change then the NERR will have to adjust to those changes. Management plans change regularly ..isn't a locked down.

Follow ...will there be public input into the uses..or will that be driven by the state processes....who determines the uses..NERR?..DEEP?...any public input? A – a NERR uses the existing regulations, doesn't bring new ones into the picture. Any changes wouldn't be NERR driven.