



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE

Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary
991 Marine Dr., The Presidio
San Francisco, CA 94129

July 22, 2024

Dear Sanctuary Advisory Council Applicant:

We are in the process of filling vacant seats on our sanctuary advisory council. Beginning immediately, we will accept applications for council membership. The Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council was established pursuant to Federal law to ensure continued public participation in the management of the sanctuary. The council advises the sanctuary superintendent on priority issues and connects local communities with the sanctuary.

Enclosed is our sanctuary advisory council application kit, which includes a link to the council charter, a link to the *National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Implementation Handbook*, seat descriptions, and an application form. Council terms are typically for three years. Please contact Tishma Patel at tishma.patel@noaa.gov or (415) 970-5252 if you have any questions about this restriction.

We are looking forward to receiving, by Friday, August 9, 2024 at 11:59 p.m., completed applications at:

Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary
991 Marine Dr.,
San Francisco, CA 94129
Attn: Tishma Patel

Or via email to tishma.patel@noaa.gov

All applicants will be notified once decisions have been made regarding appointments for the positions to be filled. Please be aware the process may take several months. If at any point you have a change in circumstance that will not allow you to serve on the council, please notify Ms. Patel; you may also contact her if you have any questions about the sanctuary, the council, or the council member selection process.

Sincerely,

Maria Brown, Sanctuary Superintendent

