## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT – Please post and distribute**

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## Sanctuary Advisory Council to hold virtual meeting on November 17

The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary advisory council will meet virtually on Tuesday, November 17, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. HST. The meeting is open to the public.

Council members will receive presentation updates from the sanctuary superintendent, state comanager, Kīhei site working group, working group to discuss voluntary vessel guidelines in the sanctuary, sanctuary research and resource protection, and the Navy. The council will address questions from members and the public. For a copy of the meeting agenda please email <a href="mailto:cindy.among-serrao@noaa.gov">cindy.among-serrao@noaa.gov</a>.

The virtual meeting will be held using GoToWebinar. Please register in advance at <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6436410636793672976">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6436410636793672976</a>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Public comment will be taken at approximately 11:10 a.m. HST. If you would like to comment during the virtual meeting, please sign up in advance by selecting "yes" during the online registration. The order of comments will be based on your date and time of registration. Please note, no public comments will be audio or video recorded.

If you cannot participate in the virtual meeting, you may send comments to <u>cindy.among-serrao@noaa.gov</u>.

The sanctuary is administered by a partnership of NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries and the State of Hawai'i through the Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR). The sanctuary works to protect humpback whales through research, education, conservation and stewardship. Join us on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a>.

## On the Web:

Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary: <a href="http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov">http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov</a>

NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries: http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov

State of Hawaii Division of Aquatic Resources: https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dar/

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