

To: Mark Committee

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Subj.: Logistics for upcoming Mark Meeting, April 24 – 25, Friday Harbor WA

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Listed below are details on the meeting location, travel, lodging, dining, and activities on the island.

Meeting location: University of Washington Friday Harbor Laboratories (FHL), Friday Harbor, San Juan Island, Washington. FHL are located at 620 University Rd, Friday Harbor, WA 98250. They are 1.5 miles from the ferry dock in Friday Harbor. The name of the meeting room will be listed on the final agenda. Further information on FHL can be found at: <https://fhl.uw.edu/>, on the attached Campus Map, or go to <https://fhl.uw.edu/about/campus-map/>.

Meeting date and time: The meeting is scheduled for 9am – 5pm on April 24, and 8:30am – noon on April 25. We are hoping to schedule a tour of the research facilities after the meeting has concluded on the early afternoon on April 25. Most people will need to use April 23rd as a travel day.

Getting there: San Juan Island is located in Washington's beautiful San Juan Island group. Access is limited to Washington State ferries or private air service.

By Ferry: The ferries leave from Anacortes Washington, which is approximately a 1½ hour drive north of Seattle, or 2 hours north of SeaTac. However, Seattle traffic can become gridlocked and travel times will take longer during commuting hours. The ferry schedule and cost for the Anacortes to Friday Harbor route can be found at: <http://www.wsdot.com/ferries/Schedule/scheduledetailbyroute.aspx?route=ana-sj>

Ferry reservations can be made online, and are a good idea if you are bringing a car. Costs assume a round trip, and you only pay when leaving Anacortes, not returning. The cost of taking a car is approximately \$46, passengers are approximately \$15. If you don't feel like taking a car, you can walk on the ferry. There is also shuttle service from SeaTac Airport to Anacortes: <http://www.airporter.com/shuttle/anacortes-to-seatac-airport-seattle>

By Air: Kenmore Air has daily flights to Friday Harbor from SeaTac airport or various Seattle locations: <https://www.kenmoreair.com/destinations/san-juan-islands/san-juan-island/>
The Friday Harbor airport is two miles from FHL.

Taxi service: Friday Harbor Taxi at (360) 298-4434 or Bob's Taxi at (360) 378-6777. Uber might also be available. Both taxi companies recommend calling ahead, and one website claims the cost from the ferry terminal to FHL would cost \$6.00. You may also try Ron, Yvonne, or Carrie if a taxi is not available. Ron's cell (360) 280-7143, Carrie's cell (360) 561-3752, and

Yvonne cell (360) 556-8831 (text only). Depending on cell phone plan, cell coverage can be spotty on the island, but hopefully one of us will have cell service.

Lodging: Lodging is available at FHL or at Hotels in Friday Harbor. Yvonne previously coordinated lodging reservations for FHL. If you have any questions on your FHL reservations, you can contact Yvonne at yvonne_dettlaff@fws.gov or (360) 753-9582. Approximately 2 weeks prior to check in Yvonne will send an email further outlining lodging information that will include your housing unit, where to pick up keys, where to return keys, and payment information.

Checking In: Participants may check into their FHL housing units any time after 3:00 pm.

Checking Out: Participants must vacate their housing by 11 am on departure day for FHL custodial crew to clean up for the next group. FHL asks that everyone leave their housing units clean behind them, disposing of their garbage/recycling in the dumpsters outside and washing their dishes. If additional staff time is required for cleaning any housing units beyond what is ordinarily needed, you will be billed for the extra time.

See attached *VistingFHLForGroups.pdf* for more FHL information. Please note the “Bathroom” section does not apply, as we are not staying in the dorms or huts.

Dining: There are several restaurants within 2 miles radius of the FHL. Everyone staying at FHL also has their own kitchen in their cottage/apartment. The nearest grocery store is approximately 1.4 miles from FHL. Kings Market grocery store is located at 160 Spring Street. Due to limited opening times at the FHL cafeteria, and group logistics, the cafeteria will not be available for our group.

Activities on the Island: San Juan Island is very scenic and has numerous tourist and recreational opportunities. It is perhaps best known for whale watching, kayaking, cruising, and its historic parks. Unfortunately our meeting is on the early side of the main whale watching season. Here are a couple of links on activities:

<https://www.visitsanjuans.com/about-the-islands/san-juan-island>

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g1441879-Activities-San_Juan_Island_San_Juan_Islands_Washington.html