

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
Disclosure Form
As required by and provided for in House Rule XI, clause 2(g) and
the Rules of the Committee on Natural Resources

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name:

2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing:

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Name/Organization: Andrew Trites, Professor, University of British Columbia

Title/Date of Hearing: Committee on Natural Resources Oversight Hearing on “NOAA’s Steller Sea Lion Sea Lion Science and Fishery Management Restrictions: Does the Science Support the Decisions,” October 17, 2011, Union Station, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington

a. Any training or educational certificates, diplomas or degrees or other educational experiences that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

PhD, Zoology, University of British Columbia, 1990

b. Any professional licenses, certifications, or affiliations held that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

Member	Society for Marine Mammalogy		1993-
Member	Steller Sea Lion Recovery Team	US Nat. Mar. Fish. Serv.	2001-2006
Member	Advisory Panel Mar. Birds & Mamm.	PICES	2005-
Member	Marine Mammal Subcommittee	Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife In Canada	2007-

c. Any employment, occupation, ownership in a firm or business, or work-related experiences that relate to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

I am a Professor at the University of British Columbia where I conduct research on marine mammals, and teach and train undergraduate and graduate students. I am also Director of the UBC Marine Mammal Research Unit, and Research Director of the North Pacific Universities Marine Mammal Research Consortium. I have conducted research on seals and sea lions in Alaska for 30 years.

d. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited) that you have received in the current year and previous four years, including the source and the amount of each grant or contract.

As the Research Director of the North Pacific Universities Marine Mammal Research Consortium at the University of British Columbia (UBC), the following federal funding for research projects at UBC was received through the North Pacific Marine Science Foundation;

Granting Agency	Subject	\$ Per Period	Years	Principal Investigator	Co-Investigator
NOAA	North Pacific marine mammal studies	\$3,481,635	2006-07	A.W. Trites	D. Rosen D. Tollit
NOAA	North Pacific marine mammal studies	\$1,376,175	2008	A.W. Trites	D. Rosen D. Tollit
NOAA	North Pacific marine mammal studies	\$1,456,948	2009-10	A.W. Trites	D. Rosen
NOAA	North Pacific marine mammal studies	\$484,520	2011	A.W. Trites	D. Rosen

e. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by you against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed.

none

f. Any other information you wish to convey that might aid the Members of the Committee to better understand the context of your testimony.

I was a member of a four-person independent scientific review panel which prepared a report for the States of Alaska and Washington on *An Independent, Scientific Review of the Biological Opinion (2010) of the Fisheries Management Plan for the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Management Areas* (October 8, 2011).

I was invited to attend the hearing by the Chairman of the committee in a letter dated October 6, 2011. I have been asked to testify about the findings of the two-state independent scientific review committee about the Biological Opinion issued by NMFS.

Name/Organization _____
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In addition, for witnesses representing organizations:

g. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying.

h. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited) that were received in the current year and previous four years by the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract for each of the organization(s).

i. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by the organization(s) you represent at the hearing against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed for each of the organization(s).

j. A list of any countries from which the organization(s) you represent at the hearing have received foreign donations and the total amount of donations received from each country, for the current year and the previous four years, by each organization.

k. For tax-exempt organizations and non-profit organizations, copies of the three most recent public IRS Form 990s (including Form 990-PF, Form 990-N, and Form 990-EZ) for each of the organization(s) you represent at the hearing (not including any contributor names and addresses or any information withheld from public inspection by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6104)).