

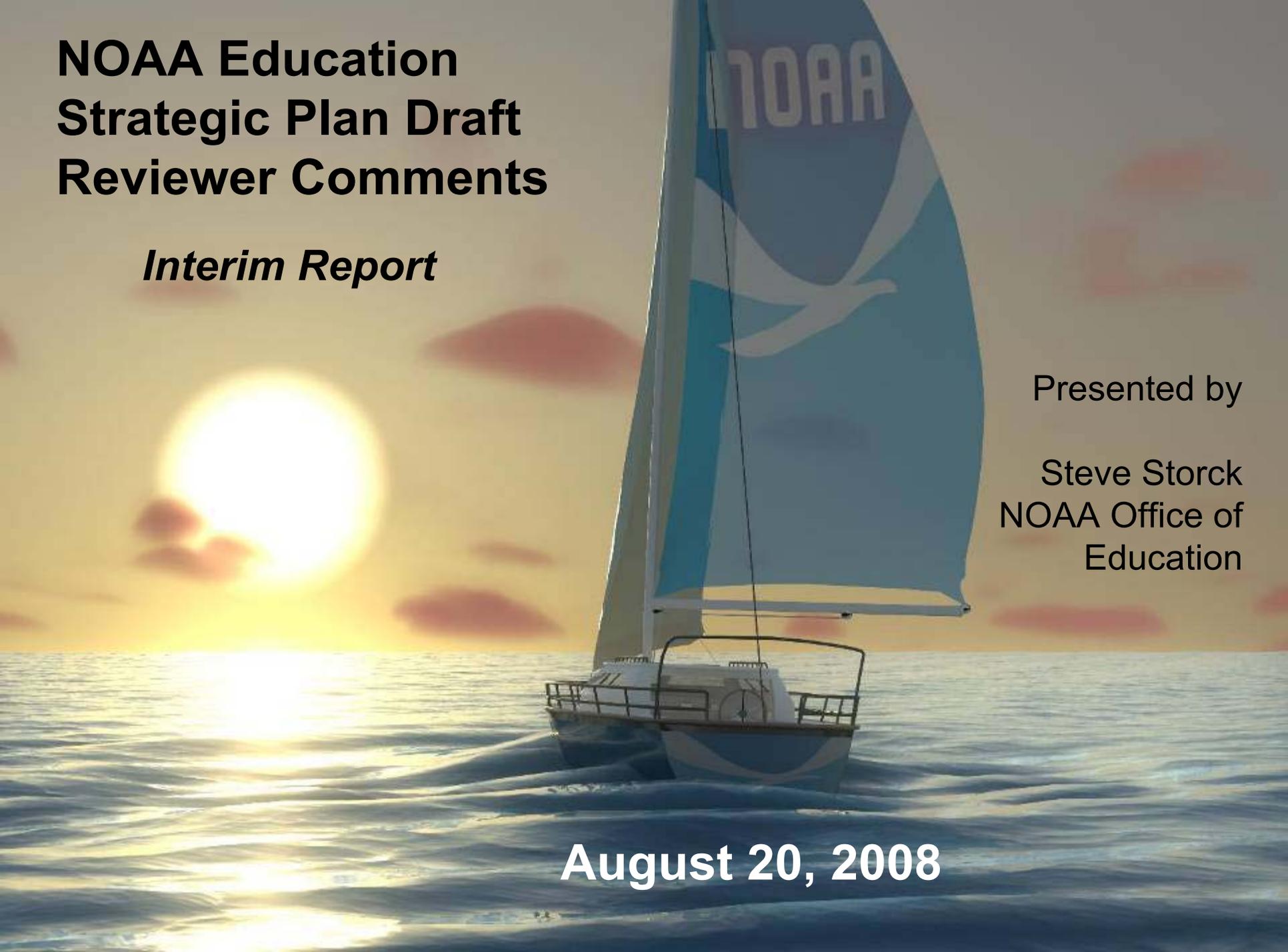
NOAA Education Strategic Plan Draft Reviewer Comments

Interim Report

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Comment Submission Status

- ☑ Plan posted for public review July 14, 2008
- ☑ 37 days transpired/10 days remaining
- ☑ Received comments from 27 individuals

2 - NOAA Offices

4 - K-12 Education

4 - NOAA/Sea Grant

3 - Higher Education

4 - SAB – EOEWG

5 - Informal Education

2 - Other Agency

3 - Other General



Comment Themes (handout outline)

- ☑ Plan should be an “Engagement” plan
- ☑ Outcome 1.6 should use term “Intra-agency”
- ☑ Education definitions need revision and examples
- ☑ Partnerships – expand definition
- ☑ Environmental Literacy (wide variety)
- ☑ Workforce Development (fewer more targeted)



Virtual NEP Review

- Conducted August 5 – 12, 2008
- 8 Written Approvals (5 w/comments)
- 9 Silent Approvals
- No Disapprovals
- Deadline for Education Council Response
September 12, 2008

VNEP Sample Comments

- Document Structure non-traditional, complexity may make it difficult to implement
- Rename document “Education Strategy”, reserve “Plan” for the more detailed Implementation Plan
- Alignment with NOAA Research Priorities not clear
- Request guidance on implementation of the America COMPETES Act in Implementation Plan

VNEP Sample Comments

- Better explanation of how NOAA Education Council will coordinate with other parts of NOAA to improve “informed decision making”
- Workforce Development only focused on New Employees not improving NOAA’s existing workforce
- Include more information on how existing entities within NOAA are to be utilized to accomplish outcomes and goals

Next Steps...

- Post Reminders to Networks on Comment Deadline
- Convene Working Groups to discuss Comments
- Respond to VNEP by September 12, 2008
- Upcoming NEP on SAB Engagement Report Response August 28, 2008

