

## COMMITTEE STAFF SUMMARY FOR JULY 20, 2017

**5. MLMA MASTER PLAN****Today's Item****Information** **Direction** 

Receive DFW update on progress in amending the current FGC-adopted master plan for state fisheries.

**Summary of Previous/Future Actions**

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| • Received overview of plan and timeline | Nov 4, 2015; MRC, Ventura            |
| • Updates on progress                    | 2016; MRC meetings                   |
| • Update on stakeholder engagement       | Mar 23, 2017; MRC, San Clemente      |
| • <b>Today's update on progress</b>      | <b>Jul 20, 2017; MRC, Santa Rosa</b> |

**Background**

In 2001, FGC adopted *The Master Plan: A Guide for the Development of Fishery Management Plans* (Master Plan), developed by DFW with input from stakeholders, pursuant to the Marine Life Management Act (MLMA). A DFW effort to amend the MLMA Master Plan is currently underway, to broaden the policy scope of the document and facilitate moving more fisheries under active management and fishery management plans, as envisioned in the MLMA. The amendment process is significant and substantial enough that DFW's Marine Region has elevated its priority to one of five strategic work plan objectives.

Since Nov 2015, MRC has received overviews and updates from DFW on the MLMA Master Plan amendment process, expected timeline, and initial details on the draft framework. DFW has developed a number of information resources to engage the public (e.g., MLMA Master Plan amendment webpage, public information documents, and stakeholder engagement strategies) that are available on DFW's webpage created specifically for the effort (see link in Exhibit 1).

Today DFW will provide an update on progress, including recent and upcoming stakeholder engagement efforts and next steps (Exhibit 2).

**Significant Public Comments (N/A)****Recommendation (N/A)****Exhibits**

1. DFW MLMA Master Plan webpage  
([www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Marine/MLMA/Master-Plan](http://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Marine/MLMA/Master-Plan))
2. [DFW presentation](#)

**Committee Direction/Recommendation (N/A)**

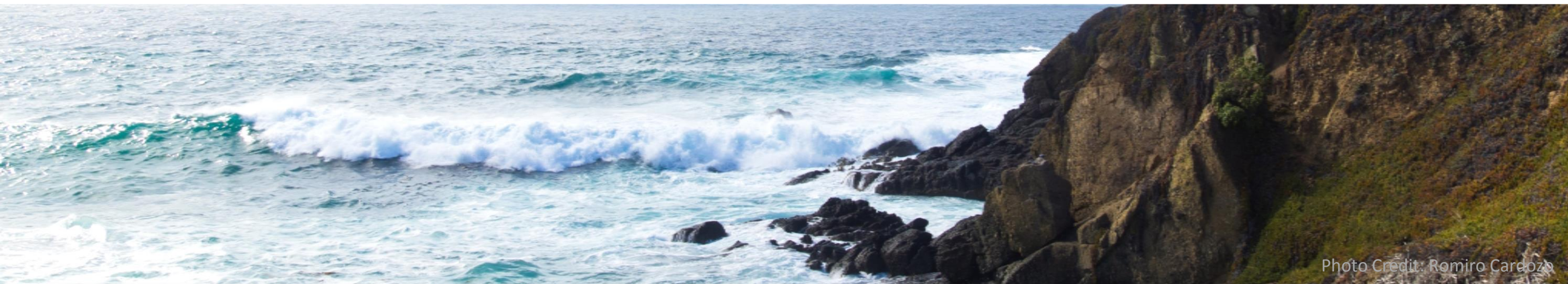


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# **Update on the Marine Life Management Act (MLMA) Master Plan Amendment & Stakeholder Engagement**

**Dr. Craig Shuman, California Department of Fish and Wildlife**

MRC Meeting, Santa Rosa, CA

July 20, 2017



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**Late 2017**

Submit Final Draft Master Plan to Fish and Game Commission

### Phase III: Review and Possible Adoption

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# Stakeholder Discussion: Fisheries Partnerships

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## MLMA Master Plan Amendment Discussion for Interested Stakeholders Considering Approaches to Fisheries Partnerships Under the MLMA

Friday, July 28, 2017 | 11:00am-12:30pm PT

Join the call: 424-228-8722 (no pin)

Screen Sharing: <https://www.uberconference.com/strategicearth>

Visit <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Marine/MLMA/Master-Plan> for  
more information and to access webinar materials.



# **Stakeholder Workshop: Ecological Risk Assessment**

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**Stakeholder Workshops to Explore Ecological Risk Assessments (ERA) as a Potential Prioritization Tool to Support Fisheries Management in CA**

Thursday, July 27, 2017 | 9:00am-3:00pm PT  
Santa Rosa, California

Visit <http://www.oceansciencetrust.org/projects/era/> for additional workshop details, including an agenda and reference materials.

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**\*NEW\*** Initial Draft Master Plan available for stakeholder review

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**Thank you!**

**For more information, please visit:**

**<https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Marine/MLMA>**

**or contact [MLMA@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:MLMA@wildlife.ca.gov)**



# Draft Framework Overview *(simplified)*

- Draft framework for **prioritizing** and **scaling the intensity of management** to the risks and potential benefits for each fishery
- MLMA objectives are translated into key questions
- For the full draft framework, visit: <http://bit.ly/MLMAMasterPlanUpdate>

