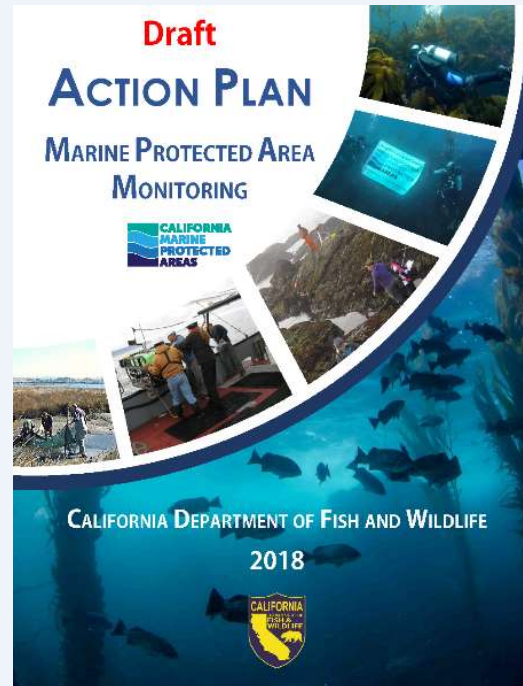




Draft Marine Protected Area Monitoring Action Plan



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Presentation Outline

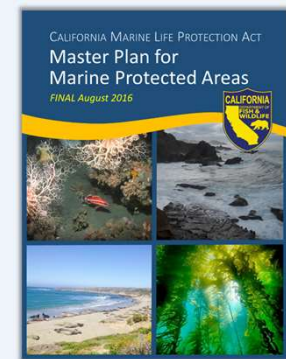
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Background

- California's marine protected areas (MPA) are managed as a statewide network
- Master Plan established the MPA Monitoring Program
- Baseline monitoring completed
- Long-term monitoring in progress





Purpose and Objectives

- Requirement to monitor, research and evaluate at select sites
- Build from design process and baseline monitoring
- Incorporate quantitative and expert informed approaches
- Guide cost-effective funding priorities





Key Components

- Priority metrics to inform MPA performance
- Tiered approach for discrete monitoring metrics
- Incorporate traditional ecological knowledge





Key Components, Continued

- Leverage other monitoring programs and approaches
- Emerging quantitative analyses of monitoring data
- Adaptive management is key



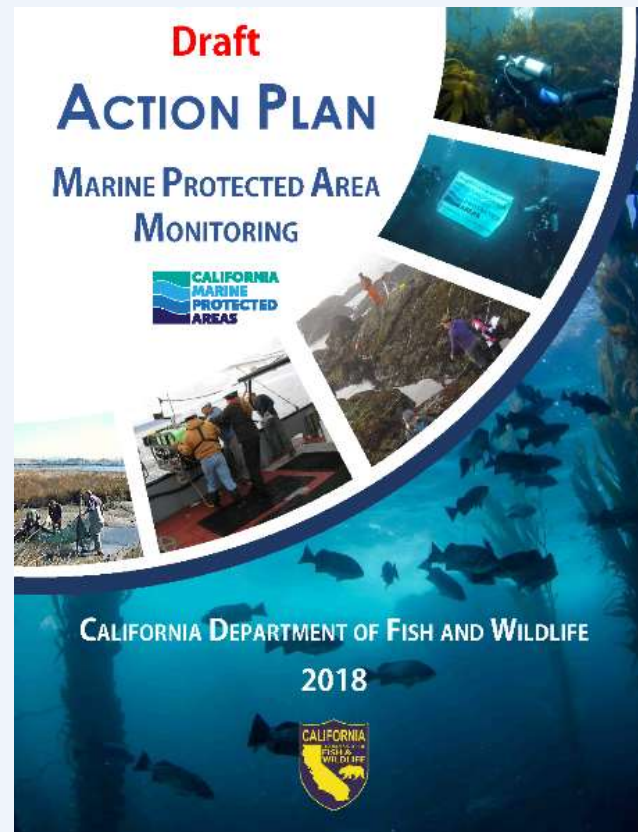


Timeline

- **February 27:** notified California Native American Tribes
- **February - August:** update the MRC, TRC, and FGC
- **July 9 - August 7:** peer review panel convened
- **July 9 - August 16:** California Native American Tribe review
- **July 16 - August 16:** public comment period
- **August 28:** peer review panel recommendations
- **October 2018:** potential FGC and OPC approval



Questions



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