

**California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
Master Plan Science Advisory Team
Draft Meeting Agenda
(revised May 11, 2010)**

Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at 9:30 AM

via teleconference* and online meeting

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Public comment: The public will be invited to provide general comment on subjects related to the work of the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (SAT) **at approximately 12:25 p.m.** Time allotted for public comment is determined by the number of requests and can range from one to three

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minutes per comment; submitting written comments that can be easily summarized in one to two minutes is encouraged. Note that the public comment period is for comments specific to the SAT; comments related to the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force, MLPA Regional Stakeholder Group, or other MLPA Initiative activities should be directed to those bodies or MLPA staff.

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Meeting Objectives

- *Receive MLPA Initiative process updates*
- *Review and potentially adopt draft responses to science questions*
- *Review and potentially adopt water quality guidance for the north coast study region*
- *Review and potentially adopt updates to the SAT evaluations of habitat representation and replication and marine birds and mammals*
- *Review and potentially adopt science guidance for designing MPAs to inform adaptive management*

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Note: The SAT will break for lunch at approximately 11:40 a.m. and public comment will be taken immediately after at approximately 12:25 p.m. At the discretion of the co-chairs, agenda items may be heard in any order on the day of the meeting.

Welcome, Introductions and Review of Agenda

I. MLPA Initiative North Coast Process Updates

A. North Coast Planning Progress

II. SAT Work Group Updates

B. Bioeconomic Modeling

C. Tribal

BRIEFING DOCUMENT C.1: Letter from the MLPA Initiative to Tribes and Tribal Communities Requesting Information on Tribal Uses of Marine Resources (April 2, 2010)

III. Science Guidance Questions

D. Review and Discuss SAT Responses to Science Questions

Potential SAT Action: Approve SAT response to science questions received up to March 25, 2010

BRIEFING DOCUMENT D.1: Draft Responses to Science Questions Posed during MLPA Public Meetings from March 1 to March 25, 2010 (May 10, 2010 Draft)

IV. MPA Design Guidelines and Evaluation Methods for the MLPA North Coast Study Region

E. Review and Discuss Updates to the Marine Birds and Mammals Evaluation Methods

Potential SAT Action: *Approve additions to the marine birds and mammals evaluation methods*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT E.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Marine Birds and Marine Mammals Evaluation Updates and New Approaches for Round 2

F. Review and Discuss Updates to the Habitat Representation and Replication Evaluation Methods

Potential SAT Action: *Approve additions to the habitat representation and replication evaluation methods*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT F.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Updates to Habitat Data and Habitat Replication and Representation Evaluation Methods

BRIEFING DOCUMENT F.2: Draft Methods Used to Evaluate Marine Protected Area Proposals in the MLPA North Coast Study Region, Chapters 4 & 5: Habitat Representation Analyses and Habitat Replication Analyses (Revised May 10, 2010)

G. Designing MPAs to Inform Adaptive Management

Potential SAT Action: *Approve SAT guidance for designing MPAs to inform adaptive management*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT G.1: Draft Proposed Concepts for Designing Experimental MPAs to Inform Adaptive Management (May 10, 2010 Draft)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT G.2: PowerPoint Presentation: Designing Experimental MPAs to Inform Adaptive Management- in the North Coast Study Region

H. Review and Discuss Water Quality Considerations

Potential SAT Action: *Approve the water quality guidance document*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.1: Draft Recommendations for Considering Water Quality and Marine Protected Areas in the MLPA North Coast Study Region (Draft revised March 16, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.2: Water Quality Guidance Maps for the MLPA North Coast Study Region (March 18, 2010)

I. Review New Levels of Protection

Potential SAT Action: *Approve any new or revised levels of protection (LOPs)*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Levels of Protection in the MLPA North Coast Study Region

Wrap-up and Next Steps

J. Other Items

BRIEFING DOCUMENT J.1: California MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team Summary of the March 16-17, 2010 Meeting (revised April 5, 2010)

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