

# AGENDA

**Ocean Resources Enhancement and Hatchery Program  
Ocean Resources Enhancement Advisory Panel**

**Date: Monday, March 30, 2026**

**Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (PST)**

**Meeting Location:** 3020 Old Ranch Parkway, Suite 160, Seal Beach, CA 90740

**Microsoft TEAMS Video Conference Link:**

**Join:** <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/26042418244988?p=chBDniDgzeBNvD86XU>

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***Ocean Resources Enhancement Advisory Panel (OREAP) members and alternates participating by video conference:*** Sandra Estep, Kirsten Ramey, Rob Ross, and Tony Vaught.

**1. Introductions and announcements (10 mins.)**

*Valerie Taylor and John Ballotti*

**2. Discussion on the OREHP Budget and the Scientific Advisory Committee's (SAC) Post-Release Survival Subcommittee's (PRS) recommendation to add a line item to the budget for post-release assessment (short-term) research (25 mins.)**

*Valerie Taylor and OREAP*

**3. Receive update on the process to amend the OREHP statute (Fish and Game Code Sections 6590-6598) (15 mins.)**

*John Ballotti*

**4. Receive update on the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) white seabass genetics study (15 mins.)**

*Bryan Barney*

**5. Receive update on hatchery and field operations from Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute (HSWRI) (50 mins.)**

*HSWRI Staff*

## 6. Public comment on agenda items and closing of meeting (5 mins.)

*John Ballottii and OREAP*

### **OREHP SAC PRS Subcommittee Recommendation**

On February 5, 2026, the PRS subcommittee passed unanimously the following recommendation to the OREAP and the Scientific Advisory Committee.

*The PRS Subcommittee recommends that, for the remainder of the program's life, the OREHP establish in its annual budget a line-item allocation of \$300,000 to support short-term post release assessment.*

*This will provide the resources needed for rapid assessment (soon after release through the first-year post release) of studies designed to improve post-release survival and enable adaptive management of OREHP contributions to the fishery.*

Questions about the meeting or agenda can be directed to the OREHP Coordinator, Valerie Taylor, at [Valerie.Taylor@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:Valerie.Taylor@wildlife.ca.gov) or [OREHP@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:OREHP@wildlife.ca.gov).

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