

**California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
Blue Ribbon Task Force
Draft Meeting Agenda
(revised June 14, 2007)**

**Tuesday, June 19, 2007
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**Stanford Law School
Crown Quadrangle, Room 180
Nathan Abbott Way
Palo Alto, California**

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Public participation: The public will be invited by the chair at several points in the meeting to offer comments on agenda items. General comments on the MLPA Initiative and the work of the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force, *not directed to specific agenda items*, will be taken at approximately 8:40 a.m. Speaker cards will be requested and may be found at the entrance to the room.

Briefing documents and meeting presentations/handouts: Please note that task force briefing documents are listed at the bottom of the agenda.

Meeting Objectives

- *Receive public comment on items not on the agenda*
- *Receive update on regional stakeholder group activities*
- *Receive update on science advisory team*
- *Review the draft "MLPA Regional Profile for the North Central Coast Study Region (Alder Creek/Point Arena to Pigeon Point, California)"*
- *Receive briefing on the staffing and resource needs of the initiative*
- *Receive briefing on fisheries management in California*
- *Receive update on the California Fish and Game Commission process for the MLPA Central Coast Project and developing the "California MLPA Master Plan for Marine Protected Areas"*
- *Adopt methods for stakeholder involvement at both the statewide and regional levels*
- *Adopt a calendar to achieve the charge from Secretary Mike Chrisman*
- *Adopt an MLPA Initiative budget*

Meeting Agenda

Note: the task force will break for lunch at approximately 12:15 p.m.

1. **Welcome and Introductions** 8:30 a.m.
Susan Golding, Chair, MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force

2. **Public Comment**
Public comment will be taken on the task force meeting and initiative process. Public comments on specific agenda items should be made during that agenda item.

Informational Items

3. **North Central Coast Regional Stakeholder Group [briefing documents 3a-d]**
Update on appointments to and activities of the regional stakeholder group
Ken Wiseman, Executive Director, MLPA Initiative
4. **Master Plan Science Advisory Team [briefing documents 4a-b]**
Update on appointments to and activities of the science advisory team
John Ugoretz, Marine Habitat Conservation Program Manager, California Department of Fish and Game
5. **MLPA North Central Coast Study Region [briefing document 5]**
Review of the draft regional profile for the north central coast study region and process for revising the regional profile
Ken Wiseman
Dr. Mary Gleason, Principal Planner, MLPA Initiative
John Ugoretz
6. **Staff Planning and Resources**
Ken Wiseman
7. **Updated MLPA Documents [briefing documents 7a-f]**
Revised charters, task force operating procedures and policy on transparency
Melissa Miller-Henson, Operations & Communications Manager
8. **Fisheries Management**
Review of fisheries management in California
John Ugoretz
Susan Ashcraft, Senior Marine Biologist Supervisor for MPAs, California Department of Fish and Game
9. **MLPA Master Plan for MPAs Implementation Update [briefing documents 9a-c]**
Update on central coast MPAs and revised *California MLPA Master Plan for Marine Protected Areas*
John Ugoretz

Action Items

10. **Draft Strategy for Stakeholder and Interested Public Participation [briefing documents 10a-b]**
Adopt a strategy for stakeholder and public participation in the MLPA Initiative, including a statewide interests group
Melissa Miller-Henson

11. **Draft Timeline [briefing document 11]**

Adopt a calendar of task force, regional stakeholder group, and science advisory team meetings, including joint meetings with the California Fish and Game Commission

Ken Wiseman

12. **MLPA Initiative Budget [briefing document 12]**

Adopt an MLPA Initiative budget and authorize the expenditure of funds

Ken Wiseman

Adjourn

Briefing Documents

Note that the number preceding each letter below indicates the agenda item number from the draft agenda above.

- 3a. News release announcing the regional stakeholder group
- 3b. Contact list for regional stakeholder group members
- 3c. Key outcomes memorandum from first meeting of the regional stakeholder group
- 3d. California Department of Fish and Game statement of feasibility criteria for use in analyzing siting alternatives during the second phase of the Marine Life Protection Act Initiative

- 4a. News release announcing the science advisory team
- 4b. Contact list for science advisory team members

- 5. *MLPA Regional Profile for the North Central Coast Study Region (Alder Creek/Point Arena to Pigeon Point, California), May 7, 2007 Draft*

- 7a. *Charter of the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force, 2007-2008*
- 7b. *Charter of the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team, 2007-2008*
- 7c. *Charter of the MLPA Statewide Interests Group*
- 7d. *Charter of the MLPA North Central Coast Regional Stakeholder Group*
- 7e. *MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force Operating Procedures*
- 7f. *MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force Policy for an Open and Transparent Process*

- 9a. California Fish and Game Commission news release regarding central coast MPAs
- 9b. Central coast marine protected areas adopted by the California Fish and Game Commission (names, boundaries, and permitted/prohibited uses)
- 9c. Revised *California MLPA Master Plan for Marine Protected Areas* (April 13, 2007)

- 10a. Draft *MLPA Initiative Strategy for Stakeholder and Interested Public Participation* (March 30, 2007)
- 10b. Summary of comments received on the draft stakeholder participation strategy

- 11. Draft MLPA Initiative calendar of meetings for the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force, North Central Coast Regional Stakeholder Group, and Master Plan Science Advisory Team

12. Draft MLPA Initiative budget