

**Delivering a Central Coast
Recommendation to the California
Department of Fish and Game by
March 2006**

**Introductory Statement from
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MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force
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November - December 2005

- SAT evaluation and BRTF guidance on candidate packages
- CCRSG finalizes packages and objectives for individual MPAs
- Completed packages posted to web for comment
- Staff and SAT analyses of packages

January - February 2006

- SAT meets January 20 to review final packages
- Staff incorporates SAT evaluations into its analyses and posts information to website
- BRTF meets Jan. 31-Feb. 1 to consider packages, evaluations, and hear comment
- BRTF guidance for revisions posted; public comment invited
- As directed by BRTF, staff may work with stakeholders and SAT to refine packages

March 2006

- SAT meets March 2 for further evaluations
- Staff incorporates SAT evaluations, public comment and other information into options for BRTF action
- BRTF meets March 14-15 to a recommendation to DFG
- BRTF decision posted to web

April 2006 and thereafter

- DFG considers recommendation from BRTF, makes a decision on a preferred alternative, and forwards recommendations to the Fish and Game Commission
- CEQA analysis begins
- Fish and Game Commission receives the DFG recommendation and begins public hearings in May 2006
- Possible commission action late in 2006

Areas of Possible BRTF Guidance From this Meeting

- Overall adequacy of packages as a set and individually
- Suggestions for areas of action by the CCRSG (e.g., confirm areas of agreement)
- Comparisons of different types of MPAs (e.g., no take reserve vs. limited take conservation area)
- Expressions of CCRSG preferences through straw votes
- Questions to the SAT