

Marine Life Protection Act Initiative



MLPA Central Coast Project Proposed Changes to the Regional Goals and Objectives Package

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Suggested Revisions

- Goal 2, Objective 2
 - Change “enhance” to “restore”
- Goal 3, Objective 3
 - Add “improving stock assessments”
- Goal 6
 - Apply SAT guidelines to regional network
- Implementation Consideration 2
 - Phasing of MPAs



Goal 2, Objective 2

- Goal: sustain, conserve, protect marine populations and rebuild depleted
- Proposed Revision to Objective (Ruiz): Protect larval sources and [enhance] [**restore**] reproductive capacity...
- Staff Recommendation: Change text to “restore”



Goal 3, Objective 3

- Goal: Improve recreational, education, and study opportunities...
- Proposed Revision to Objective (Hafer): Develop collaborative scientific monitoring and research projects evaluating MPAs that link with [improving stock assessments], classroom science curricula...
- Staff Recommendation: Develop collaborative scientific monitoring and research projects evaluating MPAs that [may] link with [**fisheries management information needs**], classroom science curricula...



Goal 6, New Objective

- Goal: Ensure central coast MPAs designed and managed as component of statewide network
- Proposed New Objective (Ruiz): To extent possible, apply SAT guidelines in overall design of central coast MPA network
- Staff Recommendation:
 - Current objectives adequately reflect SAT guidelines
 - Network is more than biological linkages under the Master Plan Framework



Implementation Consideration 2

- Current Text: When appropriate, phase the implementation of central coast MPAs to ensure their effective management, monitoring, and enforcement.
- Proposed Revised Text (Ruiz): Ensure effective management, monitoring, and enforcement of central coast MPAs, using phasing if appropriate.
- Staff Recommendation: Retain current text