

Draft List of Marine Mammals Likely to Benefit from the Establishment of Marine Protected Areas in California
(Updated August 2007)

Species	Shallow Depth (ft.)	sm-mod adult home range (sm 0-5 km mod 10-20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historically mod-large take	Low Pop. Estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	life history trait vulnerable	life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning activity, nursery area)	habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically Important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
Gray whale	surface	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	potential for forage base increase
Harbor porpoise	surface	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	potential for forage base increase
Harbor seal	surface	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction
Short-beaked common dolphin	surface	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	potential for forage base increase
Southern Sea Otter	surface	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	potential for forage base increase
Steller's sea lion	surface	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	Ano Nuevo population has declined, potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction