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## **List of Acronyms and Abbreviations**

<b>BRD</b>	<b>Biological Resources Division</b>
<b>CCAMLR</b>	<b>Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Life</b>
<b>CDFG</b>	<b>California Department of Fish and Game</b>
<b>CEQA</b>	<b>California Environmental Quality Act</b>
<b>CESA</b>	<b>California Endangered Species Act</b>
<b>Commission</b>	<b>Fish and Game Commission</b>
<b>CSC</b>	<b>California Species of Concern</b>
<b>Department</b>	<b>California Department of Fish and Game</b>
<b>FESA</b>	<b>Federal Endangered Species Act</b>
<b>FGC</b>	<b>Fish and Game Code</b>
<b>HSU</b>	<b>Humboldt State University</b>
<b>ICEG</b>	<b>Island Conservation and Ecology Group</b>
<b>INRMP</b>	<b>Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan</b>
<b>IUCN</b>	<b>International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources</b>
<b>MLMA</b>	<b>Marine Life Management Act</b>
<b>MLPA</b>	<b>Marine Life Protection Act</b>
<b>MPAs</b>	<b>Marine Protected Areas</b>
<b>murrelet</b>	<b>Xantus's Murrelet</b>
<b>NMFS</b>	<b>National Marine Fisheries Service</b>
<b>NOAA</b>	<b>National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration</b>
<b>NPS</b>	<b>National Park Service</b>
<b>PSG</b>	<b>Pacific Seabird Group</b>
<b>USFWS</b>	<b>U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service</b>
<b>USGS</b>	<b>U.S. Geological Survey</b>



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