

California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
Blue Ribbon Task Force
Draft Meeting Agenda
(revised February 19, 2010)

Monday, March 1, 2010 at 9:00 AM

C.V. Starr Community Center
300 S. Lincoln Street
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 8:30 AM

Field trip in the Fort Bragg area

Public Participation: Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting in person or may view and listen to the meeting via simultaneous webcasting on the Internet (field trips are not included in the webcasting). Video and audio archives of the meeting may be accessed via the Internet approximately two days after the meeting. Please visit the Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) website at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/meetings_n.asp for more information.

Public Comment: The public will be invited to offer general comments on subjects related to the work of the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force (BRTF), ***not specific to an agenda item, at approximately 1:15 p.m. on Monday, March 1.*** Speaker cards are requested and may be found at the entrance to the room. Time allotted for public comment is determined by the number of requests; submitting written comments that can be easily summarized in one to two minutes is encouraged.

Meeting Materials: Briefing documents will not be provided at the meeting but will be posted to the MLPA website as soon as they are available. This agenda may be found on the MLPA website at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/meetings_n.asp.

Meeting Objectives

- *Receive science presentations on water quality and on the use of commercial and recreational fishing data in the design and evaluation of marine protected areas (MPAs)*
- *Confirm applicability of policy direction provided in previous study regions to the MLPA North Coast Study Region*
- *Discuss and potentially approve additional policy direction for the north coast*
- *Receive and discuss California Department of Fish and Game and California Department of Parks and Recreation input on the state decision-making context related to tribal uses of marine resources*
- *Receive the external proposed MPA arrays submitted by community groups*
- *Receive updates on the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (SAT), MLPA North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group (NCRSG), and MLPA Statewide Interests Group (SIG)*
- *Receive updates on the north coast regional profile, public outreach and education, staffing, and the 2008-2011 budget*
- *Receive an update on MLPA implementation in other study regions*

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*Note: The task force will break for lunch at approximately 12:00 PM. **Public comment will be taken immediately following lunch at approximately 1:15 p.m.***

Welcome, Review of Agenda, and Brief Introductions

I. Updates

- A. **Memorandum of Understanding Milestones Meeting**
Ken Wiseman, Executive Director, MLPA Initiative
- B. **Master Plan Science Advisory Team**
- C. **North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group**
- D. **MLPA Statewide Interests Group**
- E. **Public Outreach and Education**
- F. **Regional Profile**

II. External Proposed MPA Arrays

- G. **Receive Overview of External Proposed MPA Arrays Submitted by Community Groups**

III. The Science of Marine Protected Areas

- H. **SAT Presentation: Use of Commercial and Recreational Fishing Data in the Design and Evaluation of MPAs**
- I. **SAT Presentation: Water Quality in the North Coast**

IV. Policy Direction for the MLPA North Coast Study Region

- J. **Receive and Discuss Input on the State Decision-making Context for Tribal Uses of Marine Resources**
- K. **Discuss Policy Guidance for the North Coast Study Region**
Potential Action: Confirm that guidance in the January 13, 2010 staff memo is applicable to the MLPA North Coast Study Region
Potential Action: Provide additional guidance to the MLPA North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group with regard to developing draft MPA proposals

V. Public Participation

- L. **Receive and Discuss Revised Strategy for Public Participation**
Potential Action: Approve the revised strategy for public participation in the MLPA North Coast Study Region

VI. Task Force Operations

- M. **MLPA Initiative Staffing and Resources**
- N. **MLPA Initiative Budget and Calendar**

VII. Implementation in Other MLPA Study Regions

- O. Update on Efforts to Implement the MLPA in the Central Coast, North Central Coast, and South Coast Study Regions**

Adjourn

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The task force will begin a field trip at 8:30 a.m. and conclude no later than 1:30 p.m. Members of the public are welcome to join the task force members for all or part of the field trip, but must provide their own transportation. Details about the specific stops will be posted as soon as they are confirmed.