

California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
Master Plan Science Advisory Team
Draft Meeting Agenda
(revised February 10, 2010)

Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 9:30 AM

via teleconference* and online meeting

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Public comment: The public will be invited to provide general comment on subjects related to the work of the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (SAT) **at approximately 12:20 p.m.** Time allotted for public comment is determined by the number of requests and can range from one to three minutes per comment; submitting written comments that can be easily summarized in one to two

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minutes is encouraged. Note that the public comment period is for comments specific to the SAT; comments related to the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force, MLPA Regional Stakeholder Group, or other MLPA Initiative activities should be directed to those bodies or MLPA staff.

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Meeting Objectives

- Receive MLPA Initiative process updates
- Review and potentially adopt marine protected area (MPA) evaluation methods for the MLPA North Coast Study Region
- Review and potentially adopt draft responses to science questions from the public and external array proponents

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Note: The SAT will break for lunch at approximately 11:35 a.m. and public comment will be taken immediately after at approximately 12:20 p.m. At the discretion of the co-chairs, agenda items may be heard in any order on the day of the meeting.

Welcome, Introductions and Review of Agenda

I. Updates

II. MPA Design Guidelines and Evaluation Methods for the MLPA North Coast Study Region

A. Review and Potentially Approve SAT Evaluation Methods for Habitat Representation

Potential SAT Action: *Approve the list of key and unique habitats to be evaluated and the evaluation methods for habitat representation, including the supporting document*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT A.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Habitat Representation Evaluation Methods for the North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT A.2: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT): Chapter 4 – Habitat Representation Analyses (Goals 1 and 4) (revised February 8, 2010)

B. Review and Potentially Approve SAT Evaluation Methods for Habitat Replication

Potential SAT Action: *Approve the evaluation methods for habitat replication*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT B.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Habitat Replication Evaluation Methods for the North Coast Study Region

C. Review and Potentially Approve Evaluation Methods for Bioeconomic Modeling

Potential SAT Action: *Approve the bioeconomic modeling evaluation methods and supporting document*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT C.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Spatial Bioeconomic Model Evaluation Method for the North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT C.2: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT): Chapter 8 and Appendix B – Bioeconomic Modeling (revised February 4, 2010)

D. Review and Potentially Approve the SAT Evaluation Methods for Benefits to Marine Birds and Mammals

Potential SAT Action: Approve the marine birds and mammal evaluation methods

BRIEFING DOCUMENT D.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Marine Birds and Mammal Evaluation Methods

E. Review and Potentially Approve SAT Evaluation Methods for MPA Size

Potential SAT Action: Approve the MPA size evaluation methods and supporting document

BRIEFING DOCUMENT E.1: PowerPoint Presentation: MPA Size Evaluation Methods for the North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT E.2: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT): Chapter 6 – MPA Size (revised February 4, 2010)

F. Review and Potentially Approve SAT Evaluation Methods for MPA Spacing

Potential SAT Action: Approve the MPA spacing evaluation methods and supporting document

BRIEFING DOCUMENT F.1: PowerPoint Presentation: MPA Spacing Evaluation Methods for the MLPA North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT F.2: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT): Chapter 7 – MPA Spacing (revised February 4, 2010)

G. Review and Potentially Approve Levels of Protection and Supporting Text

Potential SAT Action: Approve the supporting text for levels of protection (LOPs) adopted at the December 16, 2009 SAT meeting.

Potential SAT Action: Approve any revised LOPs and LOP methods

BRIEFING DOCUMENT G.1: New and or Revised LOPs – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT G.2: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT) Chapter 3 and Appendix A – Protection Levels (Goals 1, 2, 4 and 6) (revised February 10, 2010)

H. Review and Potentially Approve the SAT Evaluation Methods Used to Estimate Potential Commercial and Recreational Fishery Impacts

Potential SAT Action: Approve the methods used to estimate potential commercial and recreational fishery impacts and supporting documents

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.1: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT) Chapter 12 – Commercial and Recreational Fishery Impacts (revised January 29, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.2: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT): Appendix C – Evaluation of Potential Impacts to Commercial and Recreational Fisheries (revised January 13, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.3: PowerPoint Presentation: Potential Impacts to Commercial and Recreational Fishing Evaluation Methods

I. Review and Potentially Approve the SAT Evaluation Methods for Water Quality

Potential SAT Action: Approve the water quality evaluation methods

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Water Quality Evaluation Methods in the MLPA North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.2: Methods Used to Evaluate MPA Proposals in the North Coast Study Region (DRAFT): Chapter 10 – Water and Sediment Quality (February 8, 2010)

III. Science Guidance Questions from the Public and External Array Proponents

J. Review and Discuss SAT Responses to Science Questions Received at the December 16-17, 2009 SAT Meeting

Potential SAT Action: Approve SAT response to science questions received at the December 16-17, 2009 SAT meeting

BRIEFING DOCUMENT J.1: Draft Responses to Science Questions Posed at the December 16-17, 2009 Meeting of the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (revised January 20, 2010)

K. New Science Questions to be Addressed

Wrap-up and Next Steps

L. Other Items

BRIEFING DOCUMENT L.1: Members of the North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group (revised February 8, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT L.2: Calendar of Upcoming Dates for the North Coast Study Region (revised February 9, 2010)

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