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

Wednesday, July 21, 2010 at 9:00 AM
Thursday, July 22, 2010 at 8:30 AM

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

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Flynn Center Multipurpose Room
981 H Street
Crescent City, CA 95531

Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center*
921 Waterfront Drive, Room 214
Eureka, CA 95501

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 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 21***. 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

- *Discuss and potentially approve additional policy direction for the MLPA North Coast Study Region*
- *Receive MLPA North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group (NCRSG) draft MPA proposals*
- *Receive draft recommendations for special closures developed by the NCRSG*
- *Receive evaluations of NCRSG draft MPA proposals, MPA Proposal 0 (existing MPAs), and special closures from the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (SAT),MLPA Initiative staff, California Department of Fish and Game (DFG), and California Department of Parks and Recreation (California State Parks)*
- *Receive updates on the SAT, NCRSG, and MLPA Statewide Interests Group (SIG)*
- *Receive updates on north coast goals and objective, public outreach and education, tribal outreach and data gathering, the 2008-2011 MLPA Initiative budget and upcoming meetings*
- *Receive an update on MLPA implementation in other study regions*

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Note: The task force will break for lunch at approximately 12:05 PM. Public comment will be taken at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Welcome, Review of Agenda, and Brief Introductions

Cindy Gustafson, Chair, MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force

Ken Wiseman, Executive Director, MLPA Initiative

I. Updates

A. MLPA Implementation in the Central Coast, North Central Coast and South Coast Study Regions

Sonke Mastrup, Deputy Director, California Department of Fish and Game
Becky Ota, Marine Region Habitat Conservation Program Manager, California Department of Fish and Game

B. Master Plan Science Advisory Team

Satie Airame, Science and Planning Advisor, MLPA Initiative

C. North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group

Melissa Miller-Henson, Program Manager, MLPA Initiative

D. North Coast Goals and Regional Objectives

Becky Ota

BRIEFING DOCUMENT D.1: PowerPoint Presentation: MLPA Goals and Regional Objectives for the MLPA North Coast Study Region – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT D.2: Goals, Regional Objectives, Stakeholder Priorities, and Design and Implementation Considerations for the MLPA North Coast Study Region (revised April 26, 2010)

E. Statewide Interests Group

Ken Wiseman

BRIEFING DOCUMENT E.1: Charter of the MLPA Statewide Interests Group (January 11, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT E.2: Members of the MLPA Statewide Interests Group (June 17, 2010)

F. Public Outreach and Education

Kelly Sayce, Public Outreach and Education Coordinator, MLPA Initiative

BRIEFING DOCUMENT F.1: Sample Summer 2010 Open House Outreach Materials: Flyer, Open House Guide, Key Resources, Comment Form

BRIEFING DOCUMENT F.2: PowerPoint Presentation: Public Outreach and Education in the North Coast Study Region – Handout Placeholder

G. Tribal Outreach and Data Gathering

BRIEFING DOCUMENT G.1: Sample Letter to Tribes and Tribal Communities Inviting Review of the Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals for the North Coast Study Region (May 28, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT G.2: Data Sheet for Submitting Input from California Tribes and Tribal Communities Regarding Allowed Uses for North Coast Round 2 Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals (June 25, 2010)

II. NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals and Draft Recommendations for Special Closures for the North Coast Study Region

H. Presentation of NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals and Proposal 0 (Existing MPAs)

Satie Airame
NCRSG Work Group Co-Leads

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Overview of North Coast Round 2 Draft MPA Proposals

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.2: Comparison of Existing MPAs (Proposal 0) and Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals by Designation Type and Level of Protection (July 16, 2010) – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.3: Ruby Draft MPA Proposal 1: Overview Map, Staff Summary, Bioregional Maps, Description of MPAs (including consideration of existing MPAs), and MPA Goals and Regional Objectives (compiled July 12, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.4: Ruby Draft MPA Proposal 2: Overview Map, Staff Summary, Bioregional Maps, Description of MPAs (including consideration of existing MPAs), and MPA Goals and Regional Objectives (compiled July 12, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.5: Sapphire Draft MPA Proposal 1: Overview Map, Staff Summary, Bioregional Maps, Description of MPAs (including consideration of existing MPAs), and MPA Goals and Regional Objectives (compiled July 12, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.6: Sapphire Draft MPA Proposal 2: Overview Map, Staff Summary, Bioregional Maps, Description of MPAs (including consideration of existing MPAs), and MPA Goals and Regional Objectives (compiled July 12, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.7: MPA Proposal 0 (existing MPAs): Overview Map, Staff Summary, and Description of MPAs

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.8: Side-by-Side Maps and Proposed Regulations for NCRSG draft MPA proposals Ruby 1, Ruby 2, Sapphire 1 and Sapphire 2, and MPA Proposal 0 (existing MPAs)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.9: Summary of Public Comments Received Regarding the Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals in the MLPA North Coast Study Region – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.10: Public Comments Received Regarding the Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals in the MLPA North Coast Study Region – Handout Placeholder

I. Presentation of NCRSG Draft Recommendations for Special Closures

Dominique Monie, Marine Planner, MLPA Initiative and NCRSG Work Group Co-Leads

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.1: Detail Maps, Descriptions, and Basic Information for Round 2 NCRSG Draft Proposed Special Closures in the MLPA North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.2: PowerPoint Presentation: Overview of NCRSG Draft Recommended Special Closures – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.3: Summary of Public Comments Received Regarding NCRSG Draft Recommendations for Special Closures in the MLPA North Coast Study Region – Handout Placeholder

III. Evaluations of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals and Special Closures

J. Presentation of SAT Round 2 Evaluation Results – Water Quality

Dominic Gregorio, Member, MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team

BRIEFING DOCUMENT J.1: PowerPoint Presentation: SAT Evaluation of Water and Sediment Quality of Round 2 North Coast Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals

BRIEFING DOCUMENT J.2: Summary of SAT Water and Sediment Quality Evaluation of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals for the North Coast Study Region (revised June 21, 2010)

K. Presentation of SAT Round 2 Evaluation Results – Habitat Representation and Replication

Dr. Karina Neilsen, Member, MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team

BRIEFING DOCUMENT K.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Habitat Evaluations of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals for the North Coast Study Region – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT K.2: Evaluation of North Coast Round 2 Draft MPA Proposals: Habitat Representation, Habitat Replication, MPA Size and MPA Spacing Analyses (revised July 14, 2010)

L. Presentation of SAT Round 2 Evaluation Results – MPA Size and MPA Spacing

Dr. Mark Carr, Co-chair, MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team

BRIEFING DOCUMENT L.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Size and Spacing Evaluations of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals – Handout Placeholder

M. Presentation SAT Round 2 Evaluation Results – Potential Impacts to Commercial and Recreational Fisheries
Charles Steinback, Ecotrust

BRIEFING DOCUMENT M.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Round 2 Evaluation of Potential Impacts to Commercial and Recreational Fisheries in the North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT M.2: Summary of Potential Impacts of Round 2 North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals on Commercial and Recreational Fisheries in the North Coast Study Region (revised July 1, 2010)

N. Presentation of SAT Round 2 Evaluation Results – Bioeconomic Modeling
Dr. Eric Bjorkstedt, Co-chair, MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Spatial Bioeconomic Model Evaluations of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals for the MLPA North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.2: Summary of Bioeconomic Model Evaluations of Round 2 NCRSG Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals for the MLPA North Coast Study Region (revised June 30, 2010)

O. Presentation of SAT Round 2 Evaluation Results – Birds and Mammals
Ron LeValley, Co-chair, MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team

BRIEFING DOCUMENT O.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Marine Birds and Marine Mammals Evaluations for Round 2 Draft MPA Proposals in the MLPA North Coast Study Region

BRIEFING DOCUMENT O.2: Evaluations of Benefits to Marine Birds from Round 2 North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals and Associated Special Closures (revised July 1, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT O.3: Evaluation of Benefits to Marine Mammals from Round 2 North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals and Associated Special Closures (revised July 1, 2010)

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Note: The BRTF will break for lunch at approximately 12:45 p.m.

Welcome and Review of Day 2 Agenda

III. Evaluations of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals and Special Closures (continued)

P. Presentation of California Department of Fish and Game Evaluation of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals
Rebecca Studebaker, Biologist, Marine Protected Areas Project, California Department of Fish and Game

BRIEFING DOCUMENT P.1: PowerPoint Presentation: DFG Evaluation of Round 2NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals 3 – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT P.2: California Department of Fish and Game Feasibility Evaluation of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals for the MLPA North Coast Study Region 3 – Handout Placeholder

Q. Presentation of California Department of Parks and Recreation Evaluation of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals
Kevin Fleming, Senior Environmental Scientist, California Department of Parks and Recreation

BRIEFING DOCUMENT Q.1: PowerPoint Presentation: California State Parks Evaluation of North Coast Round 2 Draft MPA Proposals

BRIEFING DOCUMENT Q.2: California State Parks Evaluation of Round 2 North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals (June 29, 2010)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT Q.3: Summary of California State Parks Coastal Units in the North Coast Study Region (April 14, 2010)

R. Goal 3 Evaluation of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals
Seth Miller, SAT Assistant, MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team

BRIEFING DOCUMENT R.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Goal 3 Evaluation of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT R.2: Goal 3 Evaluation of Round 2 NCRSG Draft MPA Proposals for the MLPA North Coast Study Region – Handout Placeholder

IV. Round 3 Planning in the MLPA North Coast Study Region

S. Discussion with NCRSG Work Group Co-Leads
BRTF members
NCRSG Work Group Co-Leads

T. Process Design for the North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group
Eric Poncelet, Senior Mediator, Kearns & West

BRIEFING DOCUMENT T.1: PowerPoint Presentation: Planned Process Design for Round 3 – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT T.2: Memo from MLPA Initiative Staff Regarding Planned Process Design for Round 3 – Handout Placeholder

U. Unique Characteristics of the Study Region
Jimmy Smith and Virginia Strom-Martin, Members, MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force

V. Potential Guidance to the NCRSG Regarding Round 3 MPA Proposals
Cindy Gustafson

Potential Action: *Provide additional guidance to the MLPA North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group with regard to developing Round 3 NCRSG MPA proposals*

V. Task Force Operations

W. MLPA Initiative Budget and Calendar
Ken Wiseman

BRIEFING DOCUMENT W.1: MLPA Initiative 2008-2011 budget update (May 3, 2010) – Handout Placeholder

BRIEFING DOCUMENT W.2: *Calendar of Upcoming Dates for the MLPA North Coast Study Region* (revised April 26, 2010)

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