California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group Draft Meeting Agenda

(revised March 16, 2010)

Wednesday, March 24, 2010 at 9:30 AM Thursday, March 25, 2010 at 8:00 AM

Elk Valley Rancheria Community Center 2332 Howland Hill Road Crescent City, CA 95531

Public participation: Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting in person or view and listen to the meeting via simultaneous webcasting on the Internet. 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 www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/meetings_n.asp for more information.

Public comment: The public will be invited to provide general comments on the work of the MLPA North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group (NCRSG) at approximately *12:40 p.m. on Thursday, March 25.* Speaker cards are requested and may be found at the entrance to the room. Time allotted for public comment is determined by the facilitators; submitting written comments that can be easily summarized in one to two minutes is encouraged. Note that the public comment period is for comments specific to the NCRSG; comments related to other MLPA Initiative activities or groups should be directed to those bodies or MLPA staff.

Meeting materials 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

- Present guidelines/guidance for developing, and methods for evaluating, marine protected area (MPA) proposals
- Present and discuss external proposed MPA arrays, as well as the evaluations of existing MPAs and external proposed MPA arrays
- Present draft north coast goals and regional objectives
- Discuss areas of geographic importance
- Discuss questions from informational videos
- Outline strategy and work plan for NCRSG Round 2 MPA proposal development process, including key process guidance

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Note: The NCRSG will break for lunch at approximately 12:10 p.m.

I. Updates

- A. MLPA North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group
- B. MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force (BRTF)
- C. MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (SAT)
- D. MLPA Initiative Public Outreach and Education
- E. MPA Planning Tools
- II. Follow up from the February 8-9, 2010 NCRSG Meeting
 - F. Responses to Questions Posed to the SAT
 - G. Discuss Questions from Informational Videos
 - H. Identify Areas of Geographic Importance

III. Existing MPAs and External MPA Arrays Prepared by Community Groups

I. Overview of Existing MPAs and External MPA Arrays

IV. Evaluation Guidelines and MPA Evaluation Results for Existing MPAs and External MPA Arrays Developed by Community Groups

- J. Presentation of Science Guidelines from the MLPA Master Plan and Other SAT Guidance
- K. Presentation of SAT Evaluation Methods and Round 1 Evaluation Results Habitat Representation and Replication
- L. Presentation of SAT Evaluation Methods and Round 1 Evaluation Results MPA Size and MPA Spacing
- M. Presentation of Data Collection Methods, SAT Evaluation Methods and Round 1
 Evaluation Results Potential Impacts to Commercial and Recreational
 Fisheries
- N. Presentation of SAT Evaluation Methods and Round 1 Evaluation Results Bioeconomic Modeling
- O. Presentation of SAT Guidance, Evaluation Methods and Round 1 Evaluation Results Water Quality

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P. Presentation of Evaluation Methods and Round 1 Evaluation Results – Birds and Mammals

- Q. Presentation of California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) Guidance, Evaluation Methods, Evaluation of Existing North Coast Study Region MPAs, and Round 1 Evaluation Results
- R. Presentation of California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks)
 Guidance, Evaluation Methods and Round 1 Evaluation Results
- S. Description of Goal 3 and its Consideration in the MLPA Initiative
- V. Guidance to Inform Development of MPA Proposals
 - T. Key Guidance from BRTF March 1-2 and March 18, 2010 Meetings
 - U. Present MLPA Goals and Proposed North Coast Regional Objectives
- VI. Developing Round 2 MPA Proposals
 - V. Present Round 2 Work Group Charge and Assignments
- VII. Next Steps and Preparation for April 20-21 NCRSG Work Session