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California State Parks Summary of Draft Marine Protected Area Evaluations

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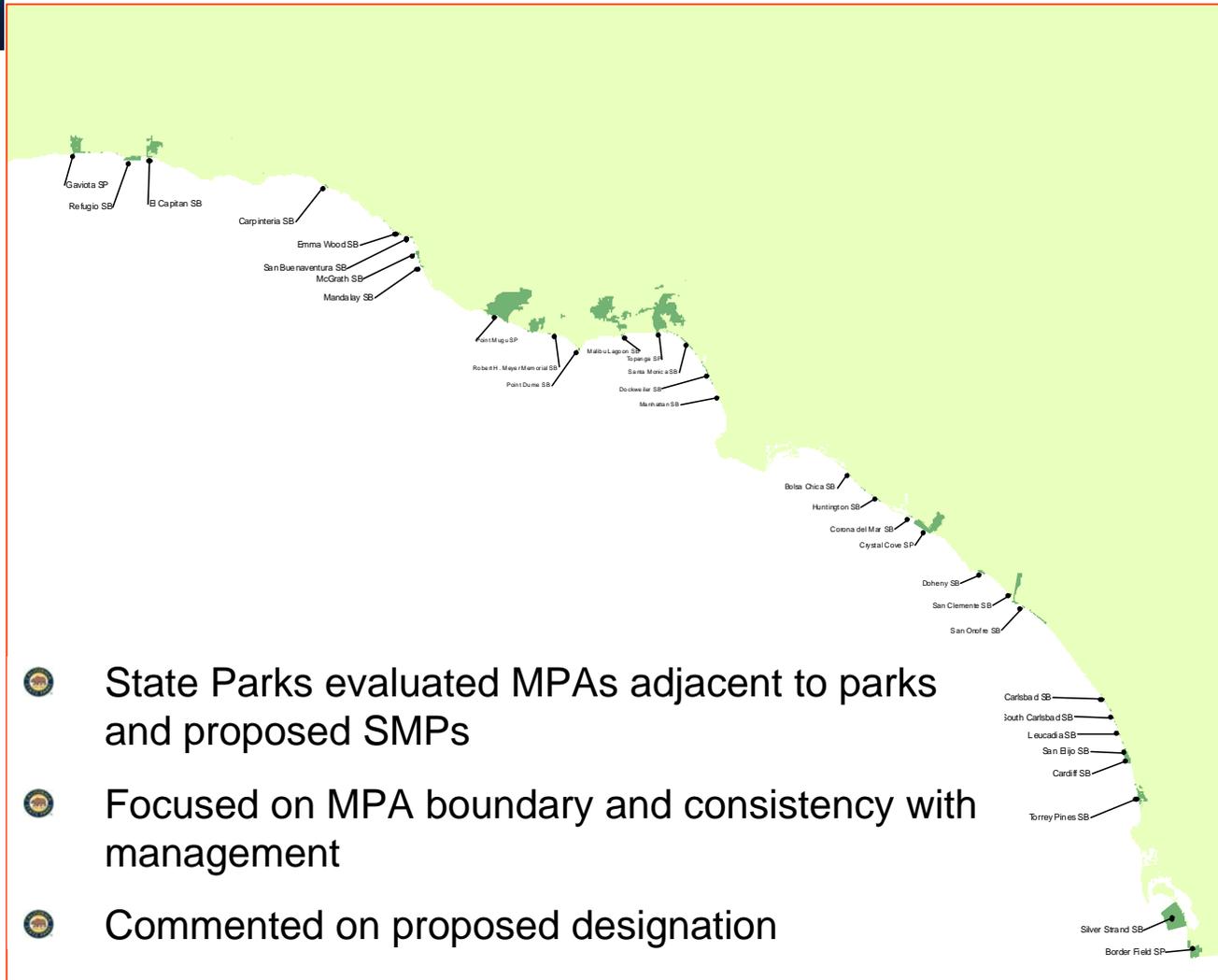
State Parks Guidelines

- Provide opportunities for the public to visit, experience, and learn about California's exceptional marine resources.
- Help protect representative examples of marine habitats and species across biogeographical regions.
- Provide special protection for intertidal species and habitats.
- Provide important venues for special marine interpretation and education programs, such as the State Parks PORTS program.
- Facilitate law enforcement needed to protect and perpetuate important natural and cultural resource values.
- Align with the goals and objectives of the individual Park Unit
- MPA proposals should have clear management goals and objectives
- MPA designations should align with the management goals





State Park Units



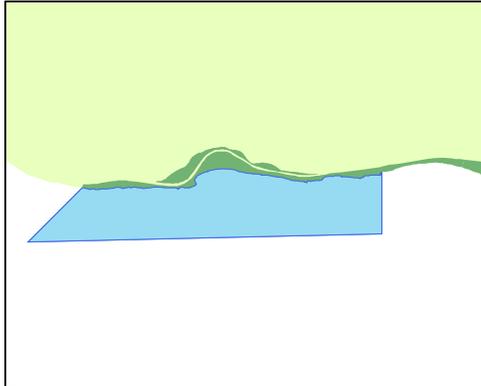
- State Parks evaluated MPAs adjacent to parks and proposed SMPs
- Focused on MPA boundary and consistency with management
- Commented on proposed designation



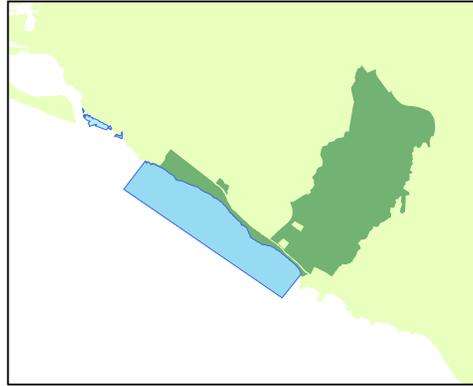


Existing State Park Underwater Units

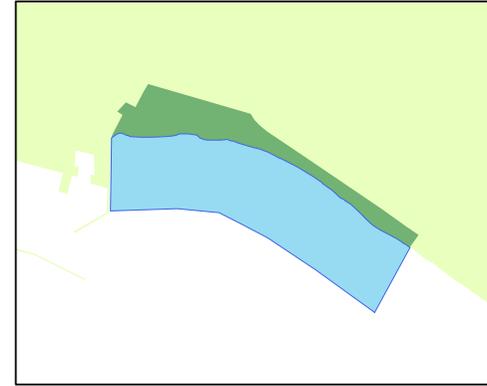
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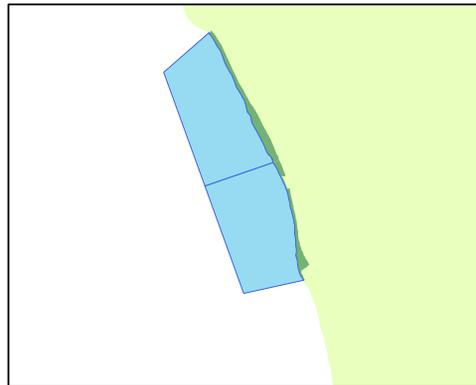
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Proposed MPA Inconsistent with General Plan





Proposed MPA Doesn't Include Underwater Unit





Proposed SMP Probably Not Best Fit

MMAIA §36700 (b)

In a state marine park, ... Public use, enjoyment, and education are encouraged...





Proposed SMCA Outside MLPA Process





Summary

- Most of the proposed MPAs are not inconsistent with State Park
- Where they exist, the inconsistencies involve allowable uses, primarily public fishing access
- State Parks urges the SCRSG to consider park boundaries and/or discernable landmarks during the next round of MPA design
- State Parks urges the SCRSG to consider the designation purpose and not just focus solely on allowed/prohibited uses.

