

**California MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team for the  
MLPA South Coast Study Region  
Draft Meeting Agenda  
(revised November 11, 2008)**

**Wednesday, November 12, 2008  
9:30 a.m. (until approximately 5:30 p.m.)**

**Sheraton Gateway Los Angeles Hotel \*  
6101 West Century Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90045**

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**Public participation:** The public will be invited by the co-chairs to offer comments on agenda action items. General comments on the work of the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team (SAT), *not directed to specific agenda items, will be taken after lunch at approximately 1:25 p.m.* Note that the general comment period is for public comment specific to the MLPA SAT; comments related to the regional stakeholder group, task force or other MLPA Initiative activities should be directed to those bodies or MLPA staff.

**Meeting materials:** Please note that meeting materials are listed at the bottom of the agenda as either attachments (received in advance of the meeting) or handouts (received on the day of the meeting).

### **Meeting Objectives**

- *Discuss the California Fish and Game Commission request regarding the northern Channel Islands*
- *Discuss application of size and spacing guidelines to the MLPA South Coast Study Region*
- *Discuss and potentially adopt bioregions for the MLPA South Coast Study Region*
- *Discuss and potentially adopt the list of key and unique habitats in the MLPA South Coast Study Region*
- *Discuss restored habitats, habitat alterations, and artificial structures*
- *Review and begin developing the criteria and methods used in determining levels of protection for the MLPA South Coast Study Region*
- *Review, discuss and potentially adopt criteria to develop the species likely to benefit list for the MLPA South Coast Study Region*
- *Review and provide feedback on proposed presentations to the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group*

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**Meeting Agenda**

**Note: Public comment will be taken immediately after lunch at approximately 1:25 p.m.**

1.	<b>Welcome, Introductions and Review of Agenda</b>
2.	<b>Updates [Attachment 1; Handouts A-B]</b>
3.	<b>California Fish and Game Commission Request Regarding the Northern Channel Islands [Handouts C-E]</b> A. Northern Channel Islands portion of evaluation of existing marine protected areas B. Connectivity between the mainland and islands C. Discuss presentation of information to the California Fish and Game Commission
4.	<b>Size and Spacing Guidelines for Marine Protected Areas in the MLPA South Coast Study Region</b> A. Discuss size and spacing guidelines and application to the study region B. Update from oceanographic workshop
5.	<b>Bioregions in the MLPA South Coast Study Region [Attachment 2]</b> A. Update from the bioregions work group B. Discuss habitat replication within bioregions C. Potentially adopt suggested bioregions and guidance for replication
6.	<b>Key and Unique Habitats in the MLPA South Coast Study Region [Attachment 3]</b> A. Update from the key and unique habitats work group B. Discuss and potentially adopt draft list of key and unique habitats C. Discuss implications for evaluation methods
7.	<b>Restored Habitats in the MLPA South Coast Study Region [Attachment 4]</b> A. Receive update from the work group B. Discuss projects and structures that affect habitat
8.	<b>Levels of Protection in the MLPA South Coast Study Region [Handout F]</b> A. Update from the levels of protection work group B. Discuss criteria and methods used in establishing levels of protection
9.	<b>Draft List of Species Likely to Benefit from Marine Protected Areas in the MLPA South Coast Study Region [Attachment 5]</b> A. Update from the species likely to benefit work group B. Discuss and potentially adopt criteria used to develop list of species
10.	<b>Proposed Presentations to the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group [Handouts G-H]</b> A. Adult movements and larval transport B. Habitats in the MLPA South Coast Study Region
11.	<b>Wrap up and Next Steps</b>
	<b>Adjourn</b>

## Attachments

1. Draft form for reporting ex parte communication
2. *Draft Analysis of Biogeographical Subregions in the MLPA South Coast Study Region* (Revised November 7, 2008)
3. *Draft Key and Unique Habitats in the MLPA South Coast Study Region* (November 6, 2008)
4. *Draft Background Information for Discussion of Projects and Artificial Structures that Affect Habitats in the MLPA South Coast Study Region* (November 4, 2008)
5. *Draft Criteria for the List of Species Likely to Benefit from Marine Protected Areas in the MLPA South Coast Study Region* (November 5, 2008)

## Handouts

- A. Summaries for September 10, 2008 and September 15, 2008 SAT meetings
- B. Calendar of meetings for the MLPA South Coast Study Region
- C. *Summary of Evaluation of Existing MPAs in the Northern Channel Islands of the MLPA South Coast Study Region: Habitat Representation/Replication and Size/Spacing* (November 9, 2008)
- D. PowerPoint presentation: *Connectivity in the MLPA South Coast Study Region* (Dr. Satie Airamé, Science and Planning Advisor, MLPA Initiative)
- E. PowerPoint presentation: *SAT Evaluations of Northern Channel Islands MPAs* (Mark Carr, draft presentation to the California Fish and Game Commission for review)
- F. PowerPoint presentation: *A Framework for Determining Levels of Protection Designations as Used in the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region* (Mark Carr, on behalf of the SAT Levels of Protection Work Group)
- G. PowerPoint presentation: *Fish Adult Movement and Larval Dispersal: Science to inform marine protected area design* (Jenn Caselle, University of California, Santa Barbara and Mark Carr, draft presentation to the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group)
- H. PowerPoint presentation: *Habitats in the MLPA South Coast Study Region as they relate to MLPA goals and SAT evaluation* (Larry G. Allen and Mark Carr; draft presentation to the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group)