California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
MLPA Staff and Roles in the MLPA Initiative
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Allison Arnold – Assistant Marine Planner: Provides planning support to the regional stakeholder group and science advisory team. Assists with data summary and analysis. [MLPA Initiative]

Chad Miller – GIS Scientific Aide: Provides technical and analytical support for geospatial data sets and processes. [DFG]

Brian Naslund – Captain: Enforcement coordinator for MLPA and marine issues. Provides direct input to stakeholder group and staff on enforcement concerns. [DFG]

Chamois Anderson – Media Relations: Assists DFG and the MLPA Initiative with media relations and communications. Develops media strategies and written materials for distribution. [MLPA Initiative]

Darci Connor – Assistant Marine Planner: Provides planning support to the regional stakeholder group and science advisory team. Assists with data summary and analysis. [MLPA Initiative]

Delbra Gibbs – Logistics Coordinator: Provides logistical support for all MLPA Initiative meetings by organizing meeting locations, webcasting, meals, etc. [MLPA Initiative]

Dennis Michniuk – Environmental Scientist: Provides process and data support, including GIS and scientific technical support. [DFG]

Elizabeth Pope-Smith – Biologist: Outreach and information specialist. Prepares materials for public and stakeholder group use. [DFG]

Eric Poncelet – Facilitator: Co-facilitates both regional stakeholder group and statewide interests group meetings, provides strategic planning and process design support, and helps to prepare meeting materials [MLPA Initiative].

Evan Fox – I-Team Coordinator and Assistant Planner: Coordinates activities of the MLPA Initiative team and provides data summary and analysis support. [MLPA Initiative]

Jared Kibele – GIS Data Specialist (Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission): Provides technical and analytical support for geospatial data sets and processes. [DFG]

Jason Vasques – Associate Biologist: Science and monitoring oversight. Provides technical advice and assistance to science advisory team process and stakeholder group. [DFG]

John Ugoretz – Marine Habitat Conservation Program Manager: DFG coordinator and policy advisor for all marine protected area issues. Provides overall DFG support for MLPA and DFG representative to the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team. [DFG]
**Kathie Magnuson** – Office Assistant: Provides administrative support for MLPA Initiative activities. [MLPA Initiative]

**Ken Wiseman** – Executive Director: Oversees the MLPA Initiative process, directs and manages staff, and reports to the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force. [MLPA Initiative]

**Mary Gleason** – Principal Planner: Provides data and scientific oversight and support. Provides primary support to the MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team and oversight of all geo-spatial (GIS) products. [MLPA Initiative]

**Matt Merrifield** – GIS Analyst: Provides GIS support for analysis and data development, and systems and database administration for decision support tools. [MLPA Initiative]

**Melissa Miller-Henson** – Program Manager: DFG employee on assignment to the MLPA Initiative. Provides project management, planning and communications oversight for the MLPA Initiative. [MLPA Initiative]

**Paulo Serpa** – Research Analyst II: GIS oversight, coordination and support. Provides technical and analytical support for geospatial data sets and processes. [DFG]

**Rebecca Studebaker** – Biologist: Provides support in developing outreach, scientific and other materials. [DFG]

**Scott McCreary** – Facilitator: Co-facilitates both regional stakeholder group and statewide interest group meetings, provides strategic planning and process design support, and helps to prepare meeting materials. [MLPA Initiative]

**Sherry Flumerfelt** – Technical writer: Edits, formats and helps coordinate preparation of meeting materials, reports, posters, flyers and brochures. [MLPA Initiative]

**Steve Martarano** – Supervising Information Officer: Manages MLPA media relations, disseminates information to the media, responds to inquiries. [DFG]

**Susan Ashcraft** – Senior Biologist Supervisor: Regional coordinator for north central coast process and MPA project supervisor. Primary DFG seat on regional stakeholder group planning process. [DFG]

**Terry Maestras** – Interim Office Manager: Provides administrative support for MLPA Initiative activities. [MLPA Initiative]

**Will McClintock** – Database Manager: Maintains GIS information stored in the MLPA geodatabase and provides support in creating data management and decision support tools. [MLPA Initiative]