

**California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
Budget Report
April 12, 2005**

1. Overview of funds available:

Figure 1. MLPA Finances

2. Expenditures to March 31, 2005: We are within budget and will remain within budget.

Figure 2: MLPA Initiative – Year 1 Funding Description and Expenses to Date, prepared by RLFF

3. Major additional commitments not shown in March report likely through June 2005:

- a. Support for the Central Coast Project, including (a) Central Coast Project Manager, (b) additional person with planning skills to support process, (c) process facilitation group, (d) GIS support, (e) extending analyses of users of ocean resources, and (f) identifying and/or modifying a decision support tool – authorization requested: \$420,000.
- b. Possible additional uncategorized expenditures – authorization requested: \$50,000

4. Process for major revisions to allocation among budget categories:

- a. Budget development by executive director and initiative steering committee, including identification of possible needs for reallocations among budget categories
- b. Review and approval of expenditures by Blue Ribbon Task Force, including any needed reallocations among categories
- c. Executive director works with Resources Legacy Law Foundation staff to prepare request for reallocation among categories to funding foundations
- d. Action by the funding foundations
- e. Report to the BRTF

5. Currently anticipated changes in allocations among budget categories:

- a. Increases in Contracted Personnel and in stakeholder outreach and communication.
- b. Decreases in GIS/Mapping/Databases and in Biological/Socioeconomic Research and Development.

6. Action items:

- a. Authorize additional commitments in 04-05 –total: \$470,000
- b. Authorize executive director to pursue reallocations among categories as suggested, providing a report to the BRTF at its next meeting

Figure 1. MLPA Initiative - Funding Sources
Funding from August 27, 2004 through December 31, 2006

	Total Amount Budgeted						
	<i>Year 1</i>		<i>Year 2</i>		<i>Year 3</i>		<i>Source totals</i>
<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Aug 27, 2004 - Jun 30, 2005</i>		<i>Jul 1, 2005 - Jun 30, 2006</i>		<i>Jul 1, 2006 - Dec 31, 2006</i>		
<i>Private</i>	1,887,000		3,472,500		1,600,333		6,959,833
<i>Public budgeted</i>	428,095		500,000		250,000		1,178,095
<i>Public in-kind</i>	56,800		74,400		37,200		168,400
<i>Annual Totals</i>	2,371,895		4,046,900		1,887,533		8,306,328

Private contingency funds 487,188

Notes:

1. Private funding data were provided by the Resources Legacy Fund Foundation. Contingency funds are for "true" contingencies.
2. RLFF has received grant awards for these funds, but will receive funds annually dependent on adequate progress in the MLPA Initiative.
3. A budget allocates funds among individual line items (e.g., "biological and socioeconomic research" as well as by output (e.g., Master Plan and Central Coast) and any anticipated changes beyond 20 % to individual line items require prior discussion and written approval for changes.
4. Semi-annual reports are due in March and September from the Department of Fish and Game to RLFF.
5. Public budgeted funds are to the Department of Fish and Game; future years are projected based on the current appropriation.
6. Public in-kind contributions include space, computers, telephones, copiers and staff, based on current use patterns.

Figure 2. MLPA Initiative - Year 1¹ Funding Description and Expenses to Date
Detailed Expenses from August 27, 2004 through March 31, 2005*

BUDGET ITEM	Master Plan Framework	Central Coast MPA Network	Project Budget through 6/30/05	Payments made month of 3/05	Total payments to date	Balance as of 3/31/05	Obligated Funds⁶ (let contracts)	Remaining Funds (Budget minus Obligated, minus expenses w/o contracts)
Contracted Personnel								
Independent Contractors for the Task Force ²	193,000	110,000	303,000		111,102	191,898	354,454	-76,315
DFG Staff ³	201,000	120,000	321,000			321,000	335,000	-14,000
Contracted Research and Development								
Biological/Socioeconomic Research and Development ⁴	500,000	200,000	700,000		93,046	606,954	291,400	408,600
GIS/Mapping/Databases	200,000	100,000	300,000			300,000		300,000
Environmental review, documentation and analysis	0	50,000	50,000			50,000		50,000
Stakeholder outreach and communication ⁷	60,000	15,000	75,000		79,728	-4,728	37,861	-9,241
Meetings/Workshops/Travel⁵								
Facility, travel, logistics, lodging, per diem, conference lines	60,000	15,000	75,000		14,339	69,058	22,500	39,580
Administrative and Support								
Computers/Equipment	5,000	3,000	8,000			8,000		8,000
Supplies/Office Facilities	20,000	5,000	25,000		2,565	22,435	3,375	21,467
Telephone/Fax/Email/Mail	20,000	10,000	30,000		320	29,680		29,680
Total	1,259,000	628,000	1,887,000	109,802	301,100	1,585,900	1,044,590	757,771

¹The Year 1 MLPA Initiative budget begins with the signing of the MLPA Initiative MOU (8/27/2004), and ends at the end of the state fiscal year (6/30/2005). Subsequent years will be based on July 1 through June 30 calendar.

² Includes compensation for the Executive Director, Senior MLPA Project Manager, Central Coast MLPA Project Manager, and Operations & Communications Manager. Includes \$24,861 in carryover costs from earlier contracts.

³ Includes amounts to be paid directly to DFG for staff identified in Exhibit C of the MOU, through reimbursable contracts.

⁴ Includes data collection from data sets, stakeholders and local communities.

⁵ Includes expenses for convening of the Blue Ribbon Task Force and Master Plan Science Advisory Team at workshops and meetings.

⁶ Contracts running through 12/31/2006 are prorated.

⁷ Includes \$46,380 carryover from earlier contracts