

**California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group
Draft Meeting Agenda
(revised March 2, 2009)**

***Tuesday, March 3, 2009 at 9:00 AM
Wednesday, March 4, 2009 at 8:00 am***

**Hilton Long Beach Executive Conference Center
701 West Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, CA 90831**

Public participation: Members of the public are invited to view or listen to the meeting via simultaneous webcasting on the Internet, and may view an archived version approximately two days after the meeting. Please visit the MLPA website at http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/meetings_sc.asp for more information. Meeting materials will not be provided at the meeting but will be posted to the MLPA website as soon as they become available.

Public participation: The public will be invited to offer comments on the work of the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group (SCRSG) at approximately **2:45 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2009 and at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 2009**. Speaker cards are requested and may be found at the entrance to the room. Note that the public comment period is for comments specific to the MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group; comments related to other MLPA Initiative activities or groups should be directed to those bodies or MLPA staff.

Meeting Objectives

- *Receive presentation from each work group regarding progress on developing draft marine protected area (MPA) arrays*
- *Receive an update on evaluation methods for the MLPA South Coast Study Region*
- *Receive presentation on draft external MPA proposals*
- *Receive presentations and updates on additional data available for MPA planning*
- *Recess into work group sessions to finalize draft arrays (Round 1) for evaluation purposes*
- *Receive presentation from each work group on draft MPA arrays*

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Note: The regional stakeholder group will break for lunch at approximately 11:45 am and public comment will be taken at approximately 2:45 pm.

Welcome, Agenda Review and Brief Introductions

Updates

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A. MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force

B. MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team

BRIEFING DOCUMENT B.1: SAT Responses to November 2008 SCRSG Questions (February 26, 2009) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT B.2: SAT Responses to January 2009 SCRSG Questions (February 26, 2009) – Handout

C. Response to SCRSG Questions

BRIEFING DOCUMENT C.1: Response to Questions from the January 13-14, 2009 SCRSG Meeting (February 25, 2009) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT C.2: Response to Questions from the January and February 2009 work sessions (March 2, 2009) – Handout

D. Education and Outreach Activities

BRIEFING DOCUMENT D.1: California MLPA Initiative Suggestions for Effective Public Comment (February 23, 2009)

E. California Department of Fish and Game Enforcement Update

BRIEFING DOCUMENT E.1: California Department of Fish and Game Memo Regarding Law Enforcement Division's Guidance on Catch and Release Fishing in MPAs (January 7, 2009)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT E.2: California Department of Fish and Game Memo Regarding Guidance on Bag Limits and Size Limits in MPAs (February 10, 2009)

II. Marine Protected Area Planning

F. MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force Interim Guidance for MPA Planning

BRIEFING DOCUMENT F.1: Summary of Interim Guidance to the South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group with Regard to Military Use Areas and Pending Military Closures (March 2, 2009) – Handout

G. California Department of Fish and Game Feasibility Guidance for MPA Planning

BRIEFING DOCUMENT G.1: CDFG Feasibility Guidance Reminders and Response to SCRSG Questions PPT – Handout

H. Draft Methods for Evaluating MPA Proposals

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.1: Executive Summary of the Draft Methods Used to Evaluate Marine Protected Area Proposals for the MLPA South Coast Study Region (March 2, 2009) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT H.2: Overview of Science Advisory Team Methods for Evaluating Alternative MPA Proposals PPT – Handout

I. Update on Tribal Forum

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.1: California Natives: Update on Involvement in the MLPA Initiative PPT – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT I.2: Frequently Asked Questions for the MLPA South Coast Tribal Forum (February 26, 2009) – Handout

J. Additional Information for the Regional Profile in the MLPA South Coast Study Region

K. Additional Information for MPA Planning

Charles Wahle, National MPA Science Center

Chris La Franchi, California Coastal Online Survey

BRIEFING DOCUMENT K.1: Ocean Uses Atlas Project PPT – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT K.2: Ocean Uses Atlas Project (December 2008) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT K.3: California Coast Online Survey PPT – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT K.4: California Coast Online Survey: California Module – Handout

L. Update on Ecotrust Data

Sarah Kruse, Ecotrust

BRIEFING DOCUMENT L.1: Update of Ecotrust Fisheries Uses and Values Project PPT – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT L.2: Ecotrust Survey Methods and Summary Statistics for the South Coast Study Region Fishery Uses and Values Project (March 1, 2009 Draft) – Handout

III. Marine Protected Area Draft Arrays

M. Presentation from Gems Work Groups on Progress in Developing Draft MPA Arrays

IV. External MPA Proposals

N. Presentation of Draft External MPA Proposals

Joe Exline, Fishermen's Information Network: Draft External Proposal A

Steven Fukuto, United Anglers of Southern California: Draft External Proposal B

*Michael Sheehy, Santa Barbara Channelkeeper and Tom Ford, Santa Monica Baykeeper:
Draft External Proposal C*

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.1: MLPA Initiative Staff Memo Regarding Proposals for Individual Marine Protected Areas Submitted by the Public (February 25, 2009)

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.2: Overview of Draft External Marine Protected Area Proposals PPT – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.3: Area Chart: Comparison of Proposal 0 (Existing MPAs) and Draft External Proposals in the MLPA South Coast Study Region (by Designation - February 24, 2009) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.4: Draft External Proposal A (including staff summary, maps, and proposed regulations) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.5: Draft External Proposal B (including staff summary, maps, and proposed regulations) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.6: Draft External Proposal C (including staff summary, maps, and proposed regulations) – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.7: FIC/FIN External MLPA Proposal PPT – Handout

BRIEFING DOCUMENT N.8: United Anglers of Southern California Proposal PPT – Handout

V. Communication between SCRSG Members and the Public

Recess

[Work Group Breakout Sessions] Discussion of Draft MPA Arrays

Meeting Agenda - Wednesday, March 4, 2009

Note: The SCRSG will reconvene for a short period at 8:00 a.m. and then recess again into work sessions. The SCRSG work groups will break for lunch at approximately 12:00 noon.

[Work Group Breakout Sessions] Discussion of Draft MPA Arrays

Reconvene

VI. [Plenary] Work Group Draft MPA Arrays

O. Presentation of Gems' Draft MPA Arrays

VII. Next steps and preparations for next SCRSG meeting

1. Recap science and policy questions from this meeting
2. Review objectives for next meeting and work session

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