

North Coast External Marine Protected Area (MPA) Array Proposal Coordination Meeting Agenda

Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009, 11:30 am–3:00 pm

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Meeting Purpose: (1) Develop a strategy and timeline for interested entities to work towards an external marine protected area (MPA) array proposal which represents broad interests throughout the North Coast Study Region; (2) Discuss preliminary ideas and goals for MPA array design.

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Meeting Overview
- 3) Updates by individual groups developing proposals, with consideration for:
 - (a) Geographic area of consideration or expertise
 - (b) Progress developing goals and MPA design ideas
 - (c) Timelines
 - (d) Challenges
- 4) Brainstorming session regarding preliminary goals and MPA design ideas
 - (a) "Safety zones": areas near ports where MPAs may not be appropriate
 - (b) Good and bad areas for MPAs
 - (c) Level of adherence to Science Advisory Guidelines
 - (d) Other
- 5) Develop a strategy for collaborative proposal development, sharing information and ensuring representation from the varying interests throughout the region
- 6) Determine critical milestones and a timeline to meet them
- 7) Schedule future meetings, including the possibility of a mid-December meeting at Benbow