

## Appendix C. Acronyms and Abbreviations Used

### *Acronyms*

DOC - Department of Commerce

DOI - Department of the Interior

FWS - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

MMA - marine managed area

MPA - marine protected area

MPAFAC - Marine Protected Area Federal Advisory Committee

NRCE - National Register Criteria for Evaluation

NERRS - National Estuarine Research Reserve System

NMFS - National Marine Fisheries Service

NOAA - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

U.S. - United States of America

USOAP – U. S. Ocean Action Plan (USOAP)

### *Abbreviations*

Candidate MPA - Candidate National System MPA

Candidate MPA Form - National System Candidate MPA Summary Form

Draft Framework - Draft Framework for Developing the National System of MPAs

Federal MPA Working Group - Federal Interagency MPA Working Group

List of MPAs - National System List of MPAs

MPA Center - National Marine Protected Areas Center

National System - National System of Marine Protected Areas

Order - Executive Order 13158 of May 26, 2000

Steering Committee - National System Steering Committee