## Appendix B -- Acronyms Appearing in the Preliminary Report

| AAAS           | American Association for the Advancement of Science   |
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| AUV            | Autonomous Underwater Vehicle   |
| BEA            | Bureau of Economic Analysis   |
| BLS            | Bureau of Labor Statistics  |
| CALFED         | California Bay-Delta Program  |
| CBD            | Convention on Biological Diversity  |
| CDC            | Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  |
| CDIAC          | Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center  |
| CEIP           | Coastal Energy Impact Plan  |
| CIAP           | Coastal Impact Assistance Program   |
| CIESIN         | Center for International Earth Science Information Network                                    |
| CITES          | Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora               |
| CoML           | Census of Marine Life   |
| COSAT          | Committee on Ocean Science, Applications, and Technology                                      |
| COSEE          | Centers for Ocean Science Education Excellence  |
| CZARA          | Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments   |
| CZMA           | Coastal Zone Management Act   |
| DAACs          | Distributed Active Archive Centers  |
| DOI            | Department of the Interior  |
| EEZ            | Exclusive Economic Zone   |
| EFH            | Essential Fish Habitat  |
| EIC            | Environment as an Integrating Context   |
| EIS            | Environmental Impact Statement  |
| EOP            | Executive Office of the President   |
| EPA            | Environmental Protection Agency   |
| EROS           | Earth Resources Observation Systems   |
| EROSDC         | Earth Resources Observation Systems Data Centers  |
| ESA            | Endangered Species Act  |
| ESP            | Environmental Studies Program   |
| FCMA           | Fishery Conservation and Management Act   |
| FDA            | Food and Drug Administration  |
| FEMA           | Federal Emergency Management Agency   |
| FERC           | Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  |
| FPA            | Federal Power Act   |
| GAO            | General Accounting Office   |
| GDP            | Gross Domestic Product  |
| JEA            | Joint Enforcement Agreement   |
| JSA            | Joint Subcommittee on Aquaculture   |
| GPA            | Global Program of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Sources |
| GSFC           | Goddard Space Flight Center   |
| HAB            | Harmful Algal Bloom   |
| ICRI           | International Coral Reef Initiative   |
| IDOE           | International Decade of Ocean Exploration   |
| IFQs           | Individual Fishing Quotas   |
| IMO            | International Maritime Organization   |
| IOC            | U.N. Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission   |
| IOOS           | Integrated Ocean Observing System   |
| ITQs           | Individual Transferable Quotas  |
| LaRC           | Langley Research Center   |
| LOS Convention | United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea   |
| MARPOL         | International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships                           |
| MERP           | Marine Entanglement Research Program  |
| MMC            | Marine Mammal Commission  |
| MMPA           | Marine Mammal Protection Act  |
| MMS            | Minerals Management Service   |
| MPRSA          | Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act  |
| MREFC          | Major Research Equipment and Facilities Construction  |
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| M-S Act        | Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act            |
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| MSDs           | Marine Sanitation Devices   |
| MSIs           | Minority Serving Institutions                                       |
| NACOA          | National Advisory Committee on Oceans and Atmosphere                |
| NAS            | National Academy of Sciences  |
| NASA           | National Aeronautics and Space Administration                       |
| NCDC           | National Climatic Data Center                                       |
| NDSF           | National Deep Submergence Facility                                  |
| NEIC           | National Earthquake Information Center                              |
| NEP            | National Estuary Program  |
| NEPA           | National Environmental Policy Act                                   |
| NERRS          | National Estuarine Research Reserve System                          |
| NFIP           | National Flood Insurance Program                                    |
| NGDC           | National Geophysical Data Center                                    |
| NIEHS          | National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences                 |
| NISA           | National Invasive Species Act                                       |
| NIST           | National Institute of Standards and Technology                      |
| NOAA           | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration                     |
| NORA           | National Ocean Council  |
| NOC            |   |
|                | National Oceanographic Data Center                                  |
| NOPA           | National Oceanographic Partnership Act                              |
| NOPP           | National Oceanographic Partnership Program                          |
| NORLC<br>NPS   | National Ocean Research Leadership Council<br>National Park Service |
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| NRC            | National Research Council   |
| NSES           | National Science Education Standards                                |
| NSF            | National Science Foundation   |
| NSIDC          | National Snow and Ice Data Center                                   |
| NSSDC          | National Space Science Data Center                                  |
| NWS            | National Weather Service  |
| OBIS           | Ocean Biogeographic Information System                              |
| OCS            | Outer Continental Shelf   |
| OCSLA          | Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act                                   |
| OMB            | Office of Management and Budget                                     |
| ONR<br>ODA 100 | Office of Naval Research  |
| OPA '90        | Oil Pollution Act of 1990   |
| ORNL           | Oak Ridge National Laboratory                                       |
| OSTP           | Office of Science and Technology Policy                             |
| OTEC           | Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion                                     |
| PCBs           | Polychlorinated biphenyls   |
| PODAAC         | Physical Oceanography Distributed Active Archive Centers            |
| ROV            | Remotely Operated Vehicle   |
| RSM            | Regional Sediment Management  |
| SAR            | Synthetic Aperture Radar  |
| SEDAC          | Socioeconomic Data and Applications Center                          |
| SSC            | Scientific and Statistical Committee                                |
| TMDL           | Total Maximum Daily Load  |
| UNCLOS         | United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea                     |
| UNEP           | United Nations Environment Program                                  |
| UNOLS          | University National Oceanographic Laboratory System                 |
| USACE          | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  |
| USAID          | U.S. Agency for International Development                           |
| USDA           | U.S. Department of Agriculture                                      |
| USFWS          | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service                                      |
| USGS           | U.S. Geological Survey  |
| VMS            | Vessel Monitoring Service   |
| WTO            | World Trade Organization  |
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