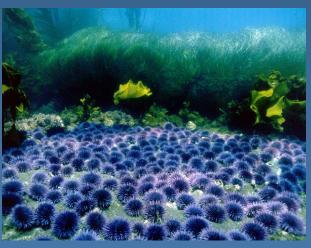


California's Marine Life Protection Act (Integrating EBM and MPAs)











MLPA Goals

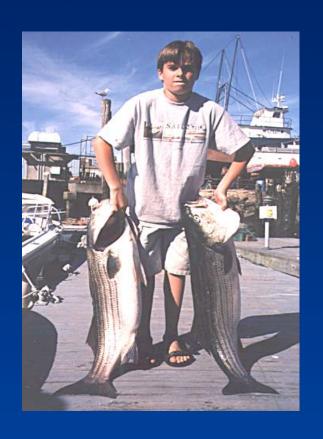
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- 2. To help sustain, conserve, and protect marine life populations, including those of economic value, and rebuild those that are depleted.
- 3. To improve recreational, educational, and study opportunities provided by marine ecosystems that are subject to minimal human disturbance, and to manage these uses in a manner consistent with protecting biodiversity.
- 4. To protect marine natural heritage, including protection of representative and unique marine life habitats in California waters for their intrinsic value.
- 5. To ensure that California's MPAs have clearly defined objectives, effective management measures, and adequate enforcement, and are based on sound scientific guidelines.
- 6. To ensure that the state's MPAs are designed and managed, to the extent possible, as a network.



MLPA Goals (key phrases)

- 1. To protect the natural diversity and function of **marine ecosystems**.
- 2. To help sustain and restore marine life populations.
- 3. To improve **recreational**, **educational**, **and study opportunities** in areas with minimal human disturbance.
- 4. To protect representative and unique **marine life habitats**.
- 5. Clear objectives, effective management, adequate enforcement.
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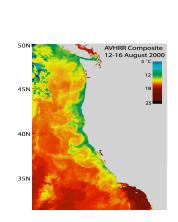


To restore and maintain ecosystems in a healthy, productive and resilient condition so that they can provide the services humans want and need.



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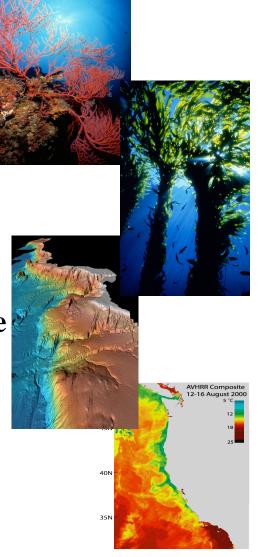
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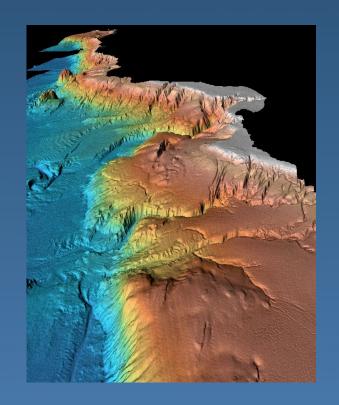
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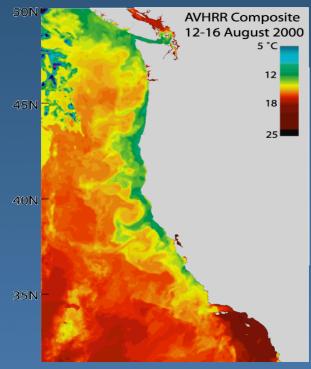


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- Capture the diversity
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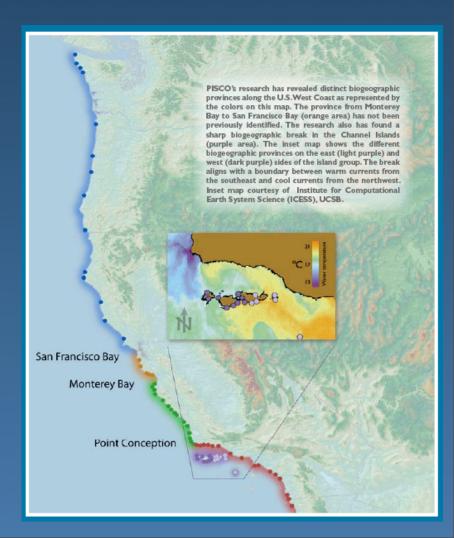




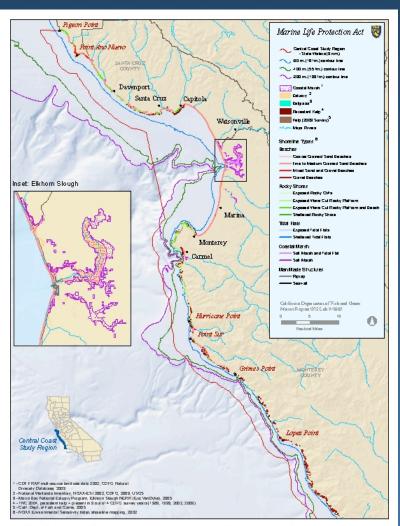


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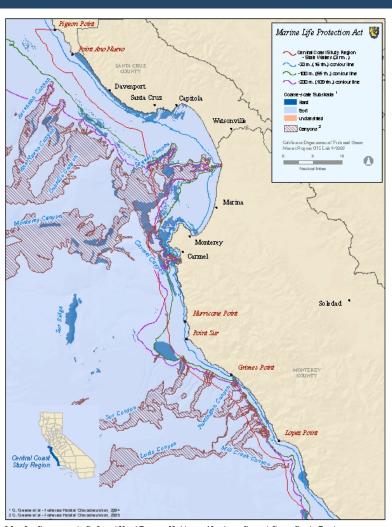
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 - Habitats
 - Biogeographic Regions



Habitat Data



Map 2a. Intertidal and Nearshore Habitats - Northern Central Coast Study Region



Map 3a. Coarse-scale Soft and Hard Bottom Habitats - Northern Central Coast Study Region

Quantify Habitat Availability

Analysis of		Γ'				<u> </u>		Amount	_ ´							
MPA Package 0 (Existing MPAs)	How measured ?	Total Amount in Study Region	Total Percent of Study Region	Amount in Existing State Marine Reserves	Percent of Total in Existing SMRs	Amount in Existing State Marine Parks	Percent of Total in Existing SMPs	in Existing State Marine Conservat	Percent of Total in Existing SMCAs	Amount in Existing Special Closures	Percent of Total in Existing SCs	Amount in all Existing MPAs in Study Region	Percent of Total in Existing MPAs	Spatial Data Source		
Area	Area (mi2)	1150.01		7.45	0.65%	0.00	0.00%	33.50	2.91%	2.20	0.19%	43.15	3.75%	GIS analysis		
Number of MPAs				5		0		7		1		13		•		
<u>HABITATS</u>																
Sandy or gravel beaches	Linear (mi)	223.66	60.3%	5.27	2.36%	0.00	0.00%	14.42	6.45%	6.06	2.71%	25.75	11.51%	NOAA ESI 2002		
Rocky intertidal and cliff	Linear (mi)	209.21	56.4%	16.71	7.99%	0.00	0.00%	12.69	6.07%	2.73	1.30%	32.13	15.36%	NOAA ESI 2002		
Coastal marsh	Linear (mi)	36.53	9.8%	9.16	25.08%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	9.16	25.08%	NOAA ESI 2002		
Tidal flats	Linear (mi)	23.48	6.3%	9.16	39.02%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	9.16	39.02%	NOAA ESI 2002		
Surfgrass	Linear (mi)	161.09	43.4%	9.74	6.05%	0.00	0.00%	11.82	7.34%	4.59	2.85%	26.15	16.23%	Minerals Management Servi / Tenera Inc.		
Eelgrass	Area (mi2)	1.07	0.1%	0.03	2.80%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.03	2.80%	Elkhorn Slough Foundation; Morro Bay National Estuary Program		
Estuary	Area (mi2)	9.83	0.9%	1.36	13.84%	0.00	0.00%	0.08	0.61%	0.00	0.00%	1.42	14.45%	Combined layer w/ data from NOAA ESI; National Wetland Inventory; CNDDB; USGS		
Soft 0-30	Area (mi2)	270.34	23.5%	4.52	1.67%	0.00	0.00%	14.82	5.48%	1.88	0.70%	21.22	7.85%	Substrata_Proxy Layer (DFG 2005) based on fine scale (high res); coarse-scale (low res); unli of all kelp as proxy for rock; CPF rockfish fishing effort as proxy for rock		
	Area (mi2)	562.38	48.9%	1.32	0.23%	0.00	0.00%	14.78	2.63%	0.00	0.00%	16.10	2.86%	same as above		
	Area (mi2)	57.83	5.0%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.02	0.03%	0.00	0.00%	0.02	0.03%	same as above		
Soft >200	Area (mi2)	105.52	9.2%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00%	same as above		
Hard 0-30	Area (mi2)	73.60	6.4%	1.04	1.41%	0.00	0.00%	2.12	2.88%	0.33	0.45%	3.49	4.74%	same as above		
Hard 30-100	Area (mi2)	40.30	3.5%	0.28	0.69%	0.00	0.00%	0.72	1.79%	0.00	0.00%	1.00	2.48%	same as above		

Characterize Proposals

	Percentage of mapped habitat in proposed MPA designations in the study region ¹						
Habitat	SMR	SMP	SMCA	Total MPAs			
Intertidal							
Sandy or gravel beaches	25.00%	1.94%	2.90%	29.83%			
Rocky intertidal and cliff	34.71%	1.38%	3.83%	39.91%			
Coastal marsh	30.17%	1.04%	5.31%	36.52%			
Tidal flats	37.27%	0.64%	18.23%	56.14%			
Seagrass beds (0-30m): Surfgrass	37.62%	2.15%	4.72%	44.48%			
Seagrass beds (0-30m): Eelgrass	31.68%	0.00%	68.03%	99.71%			
Estuary	31.94%	0.10%	20.04%	52.09%			
Soft bottom							
0-30 meters	16.49%	1.35%	1.31%	19.15%			
30-100 meters	6.07%	0.13%	6.89%	13.09%			
100-200 meters	2.16%	0.00%	19.97%	22.13%			
>200 meters	8.75%	0.00%	13.18%	21.93%			
Hard bottom							
0-30 meters	27.64%	1.52%	1.77%	30.93%			
30-100 meters	7.69%	0.00%	15.39%	23.08%			
100-200m	1.71%	0.00%	37.17%	38.88%			
>200 meters	2.85%	0.00%	20.36%	23.21%			
Kelp forest							
Average kelp ('89, '99, '02, '03)	24.45%	4.34%	5.06%	33.85%			
Persistent kelp	22.02%	8.50%	6.61%	37.13%			
Submarine canyon							
0-30 meters	8.85%	0.00%	26.55%	35.40%			
30-100 meters	12.89%	0.00%	2.26%	15.15%			
100-200 meters	10.23%	0.00%	12.71%	22.94%			
>200 meters	9.49%	0.00%	11.88%	21.37%			

¹ Note: These are proposed MPA designations, NOT levels of protection assigned by the SAT.



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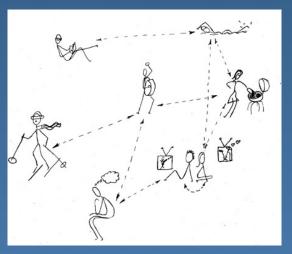
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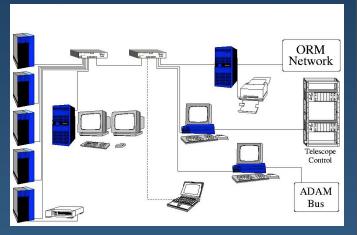


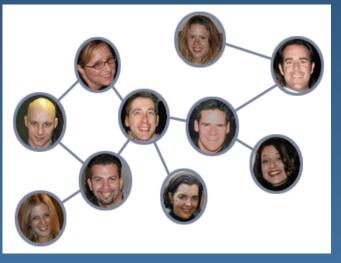
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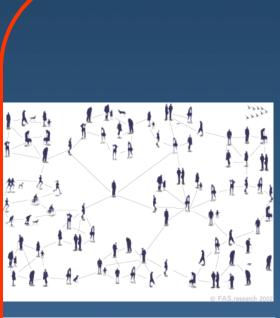


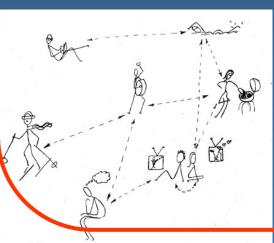


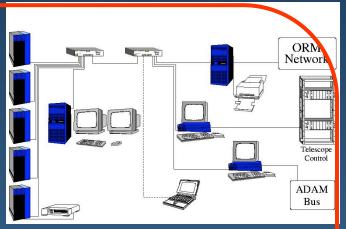


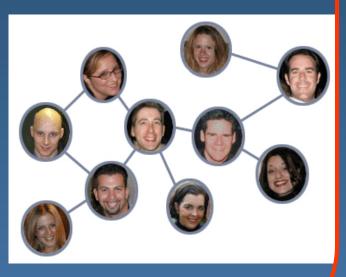
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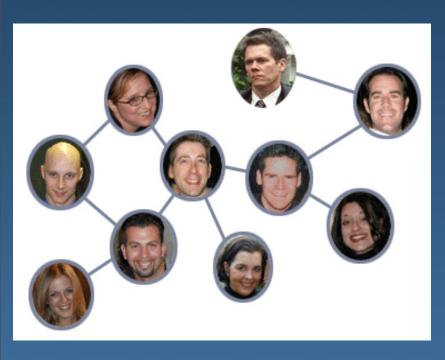






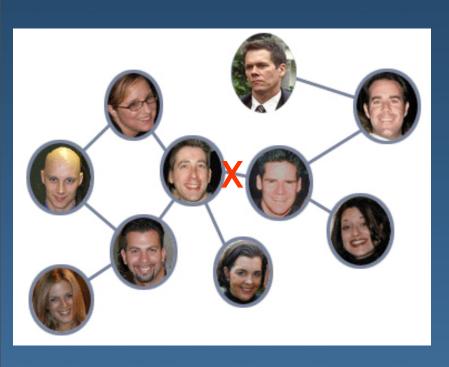


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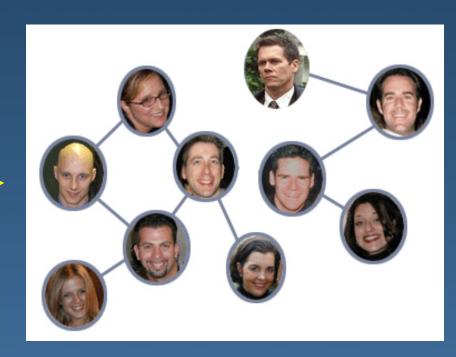


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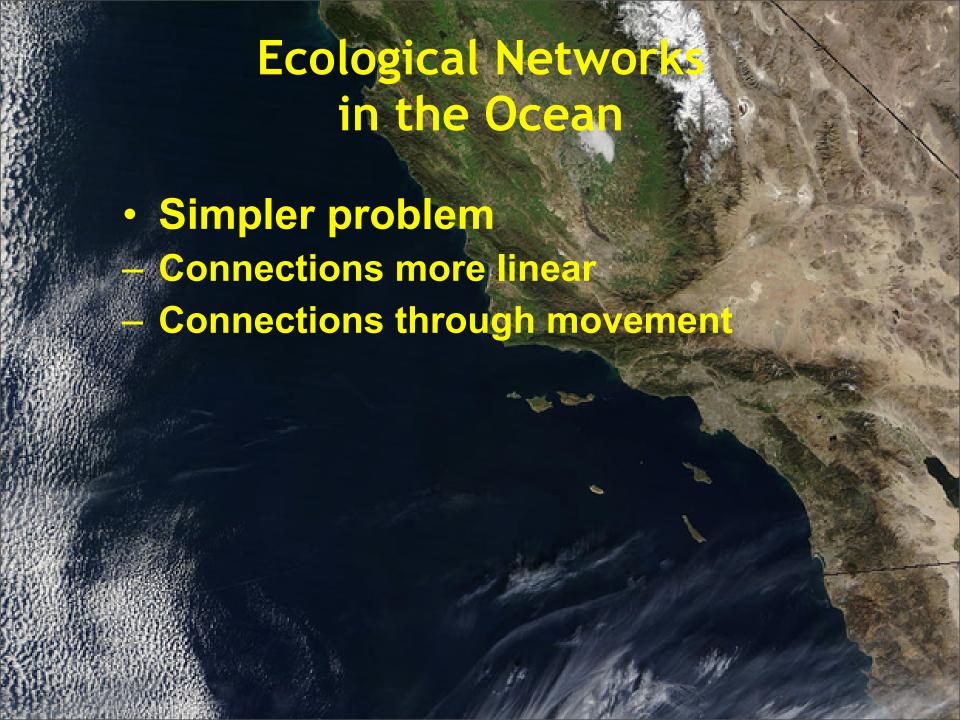
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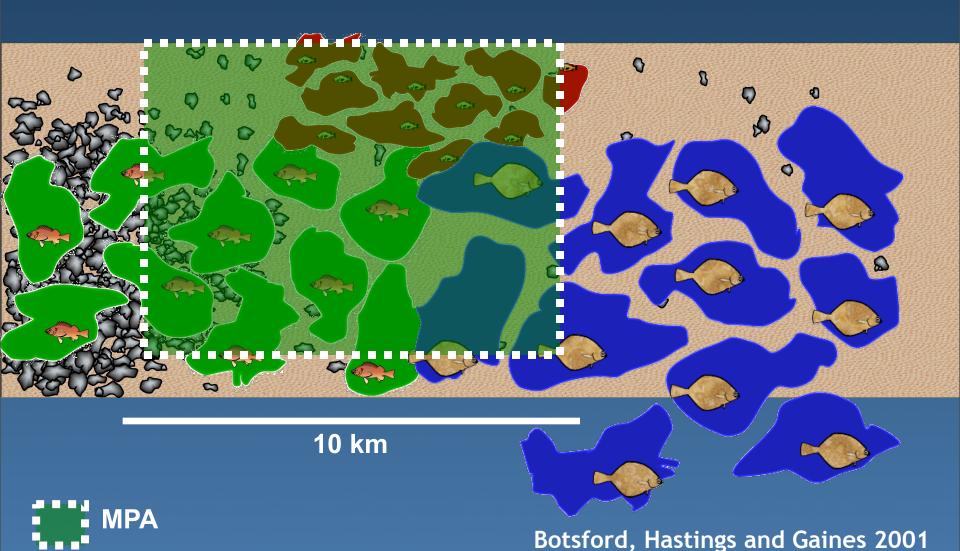
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Broken Network



To achieve sustainable populations: MPA size > movement



Constraint: MPA Size > Avg. Movement

 $0 - 1 \, \text{km}$ 1 - 10 km10 – 100 km 100 – 1000 km > 1000 km Rockfishes **Fishes** Invertebrates Invertebrates Invertebrates Dung. Crab* Big Skate Jumbo Squid* Abalone Black Pacific Halibut Mussel Brown Rockfishes Fishes Octopus Bocaccio Sablefish* Sharks* Copper Sea Star Salmonids* Tunas* Greenspotted Canary Snail Olive Yellowtail Sturgeon Turtles* Whiting* Vermilion Birds Urchin Widow Other Fishes Other Fishes Rockfishes Birds Albatross* Blk. & Yellow Cabezon Ca. Anchovy Gulls* Pelican* China Gopher Halibut Herring Mammals Shearwater* Sardine Shorebirds* Kelp Lingcod Porpoises Sea Lions* Other Fishes Birds Terns* Gobie Gulls **Mammals** Sculpin Cormorants **Dolphins** Sea Lions* **Mammals** Whales* Harbor Seal Otter Seasonal Migration

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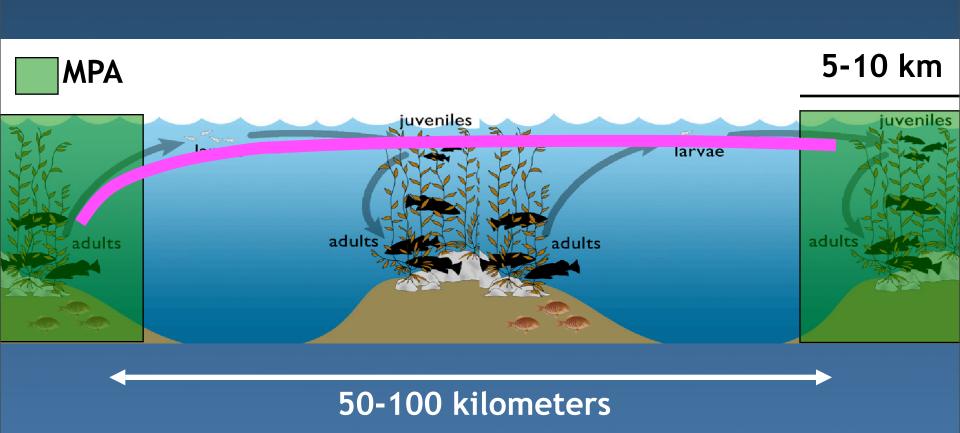
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Limited Benefit

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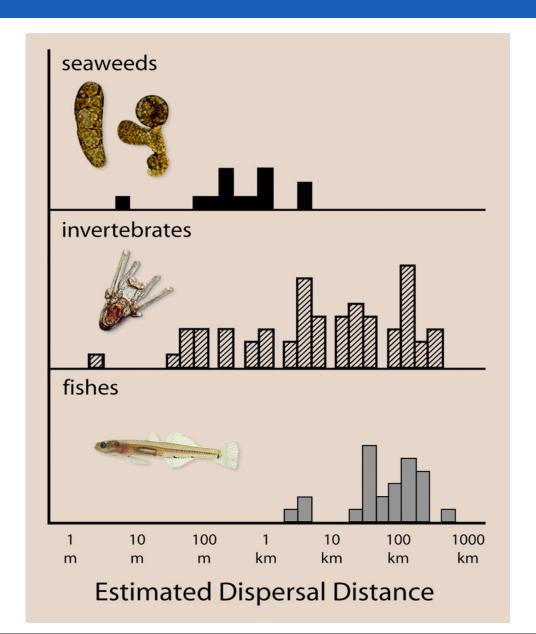
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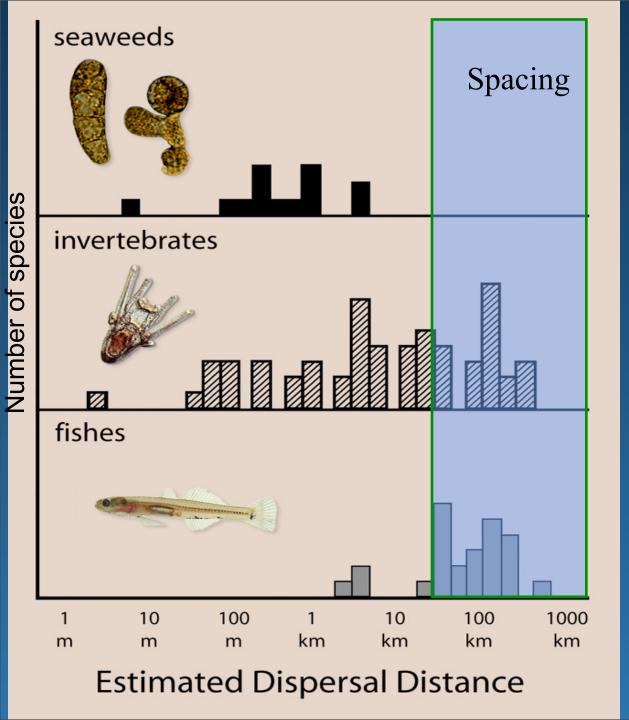
To contribute to an ecological network, MPAs should be placed at distances that allow exchange of larvae between MPAs.





Larval Movement

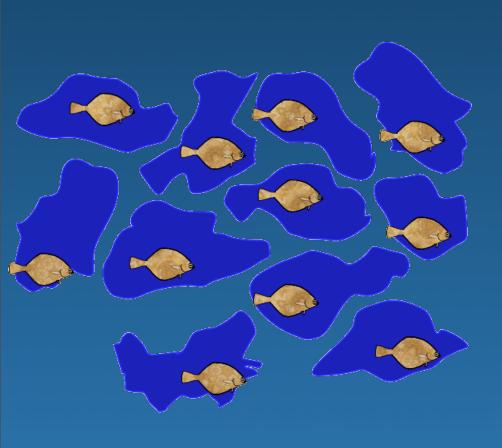




Spacing Guidelines

50 km Apart

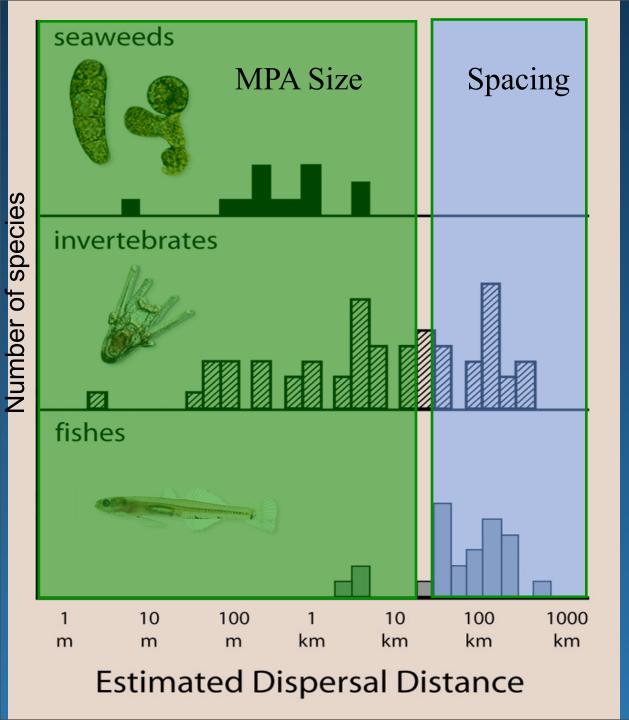
Put Movement of Adults and Young Together











Spacing Guidelines

20 km Reserves

50 km Apart



Master Plan Framework Guidelines

• Size Guideline

- "For an objective of protecting adult populations, based on adult neighborhood sizes and movement patterns, MPAs should have an **alongshore span of 5-10 km** (3-6 m or 2.5- 5.4 nm) of coastline, and **preferably 10-20 km** (6-12.5 m or 5.4-11 nm). Larger MPAs would be required to fully protect marine birds, mammals, and migratory fish."



Areas: High Protection Clusters

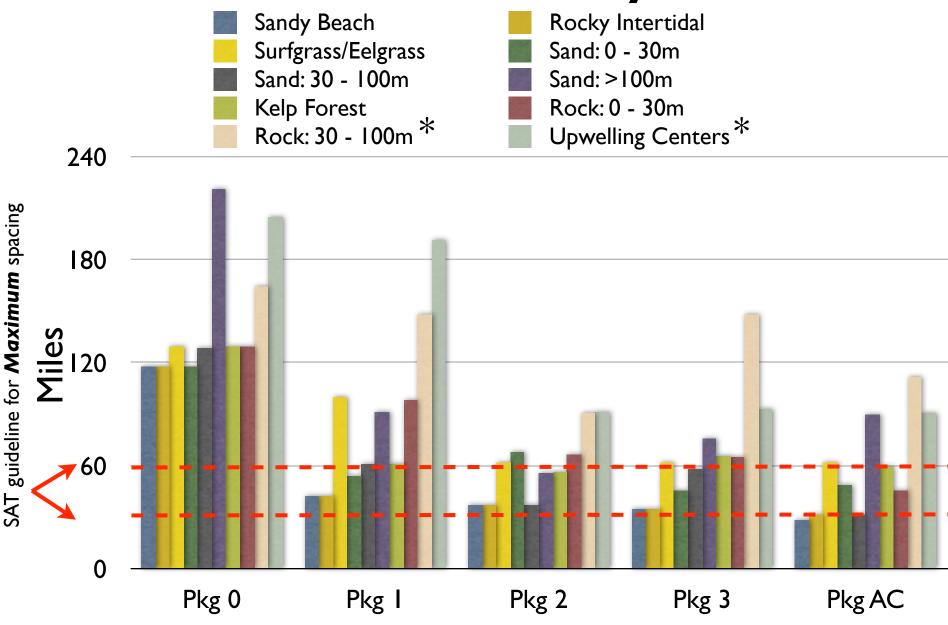
Pkg	# of MPA Clusters	Below Minimum	At Minimum	Above Minimum	
	11	45%	36%	19%	
2	12	25%	17%	58%	
3	13	31%	38%	31%	
S	14	36%	36%	28%	
AC	12	25%	25%	50%	



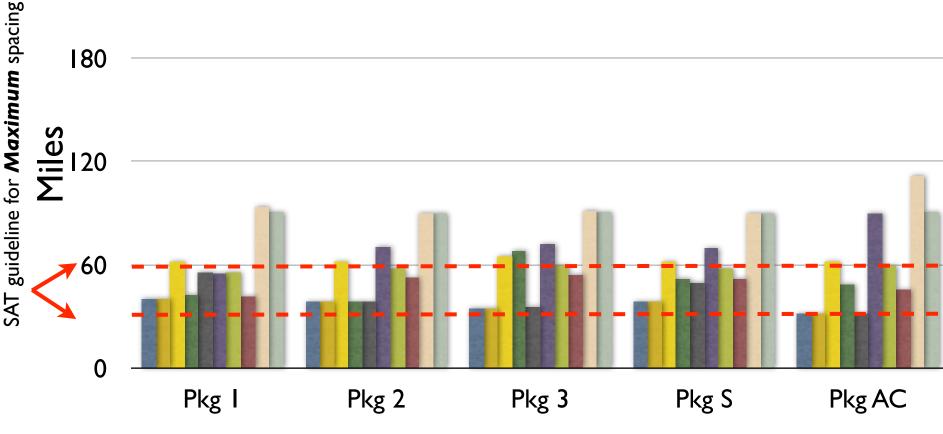
Master Plan Framework Guidelines

- Spacing
 - "For an objective of facilitating dispersal of important bottom-dwelling fish and invertebrate groups among MPAs, based on currently known scales of larval dispersal, MPAs should be placed within 50-100 km (31-62 m or 27-54 nm) of each other."

Previous Analysis



Maximum Gaps Sandy Beach Rocky Intertidal Surfgrass/Eelgrass Sand: 0 - 30m Sand: 30 - 100m Sand: > 100m Kelp Forest Rock: 0 - 30m Rock: 30 - 100m * Upwelling Centers *



240

180

Other Analyses

- Socioeconomics
- Optimization
- Species Persistence



Commercial & Recreational Fishing

	10-Feb-10			7-Jan-10	23-Feb-10
	Package 1	Package 2	Package 3	Package AC	Package S
Area of total fishing grounds affected					
Anchovy	4.39%	7.98%	6.01%	10.62%	4.35%
Cabezon	13.27%	16.96%	14.95%	24.31%	15.82%
Dungeness crab	3.38%	7.09%	6.75%	11.77%	7.06%
Deep Nearshore Rockfish	13.02%	16.54%	14.97%	23.86%	16.46%
Halibut	9.08%	10.09%	9.50%		9.99%
Kelp Greenling	12.33%	17.74%	16.16%	23.82%	17.43%
Lingcod	12.61%	18.44%	16.31%	23.45%	17.40%
Mackerel	6.66%	12.30%	9.41%	16.64%	6.96%
Rockfish Nearshore	11.92%	15.39%	13.70%	23.72%	14.38%
Rockfish Shelf	5.18%	13.21%	16.13%	29.16%	11.53%
Rockfish Slope	0.64%	1.10%	0.97%	6.96%	0.96%
Rock Crab	4.79%	6.63%	6.10%	9.57%	6.23%
Salmon	0.44%	1.05%	0.91%		0.80%
Sardine	4.38%	7.91%	5.16%	10.55%	4.30%
Sablefish	0.86%	2.26%	2.26%	2.94%	2.30%
White seabass	9.47%	7.84%	8.36%	16.56%	8.50%
Surfperch	8.07%	16.77%	22.78%	15.18%	15.65%
Spot Prawn	0.87%	2.50%	2.88%	3.70%	2.88%
Squid	6.82%	10.89%	9.76%	15.65%	9.92%
Area of fishing grounds within the study area affected					
Anchovy	10.14%	18.40%	13.88%	24.55%	9.99%
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Rock Crab	11.28%	15.59%	14.38%	22.49%	14.63%
Salmon	6.07%	13.82%	11.85%		10.71%
Sardine	10.14%	18.40%	11.98%	24.55%	9.99%
Sablefish	8.05%	21.22%	21.22%	27.58%	21.61%
White seabass	11.56%	9.58%	10.22%	20.24%	10.36%
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Value of total fishing grounds affected					

Challenges:
Accuracy,
Spatial
Resolution

Variety of Ways to Reduce Impacts While Meeting Biological Goals

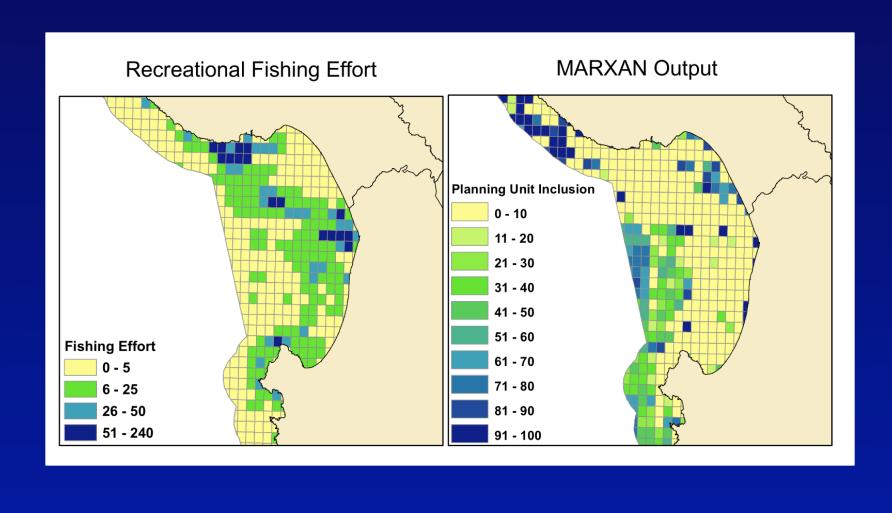
Modeling Approach: MARXAN

1 NM² planning units.

 Calculated how much of each target is in each planning unit.

 MARXAN provides potential solutions for meeting conservation goals at a "minimal cost".



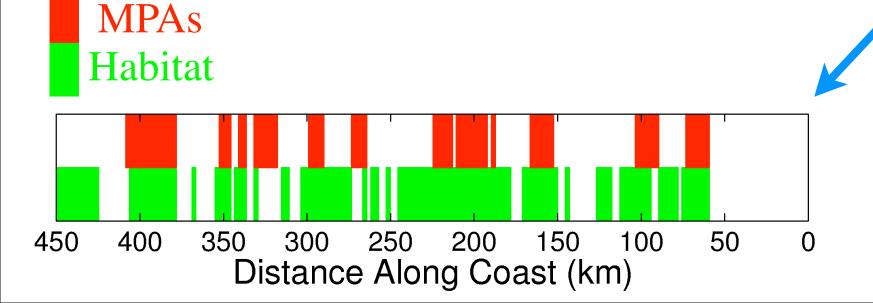




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- Convert to a model of the coastline
- Run model for different species

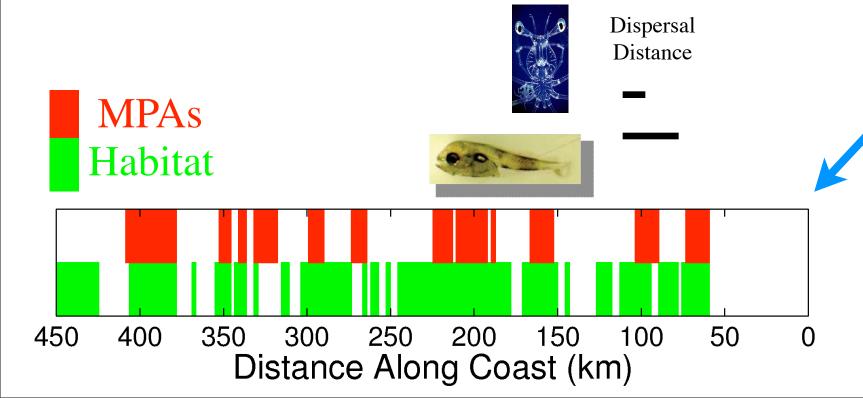


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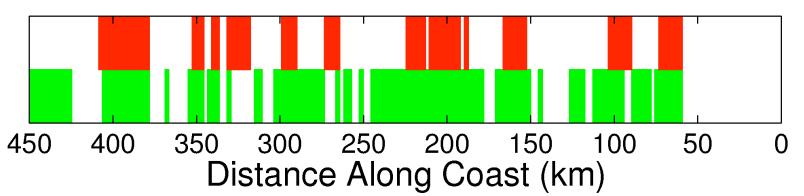




- Egg production required for replacement
- What happens outside MPAs
 - High vs Low Fishing Mortality



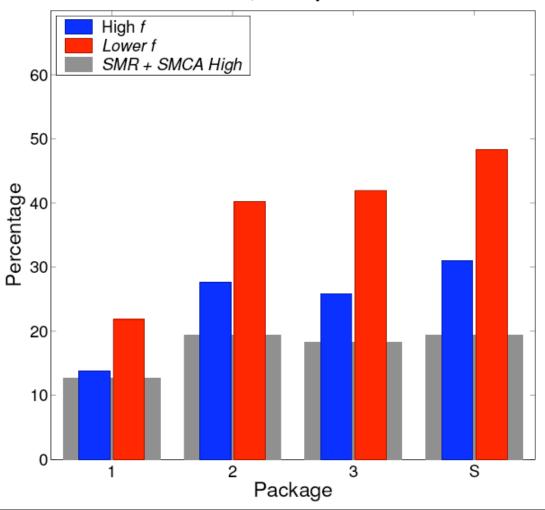






Rocky Reefs

30-100m Rocky Habitat FLEP=0.2/0.3; Disp Dist = 25 km



Information Used for Planning MPAs CA Marine Life Protection Act

- Marine habitats and bathymetry
- Species distributions, abundances, status, habitat associations
- Species home range size and movement patterns
- Larval dispersal, general estimates
- Oceanography
- Natural or cultural heritage sites
- Consumptive activities
- Non-consumptive activities
- Cities, towns, and public access points
- Existing terrestrial and marine parks

Data Challenges

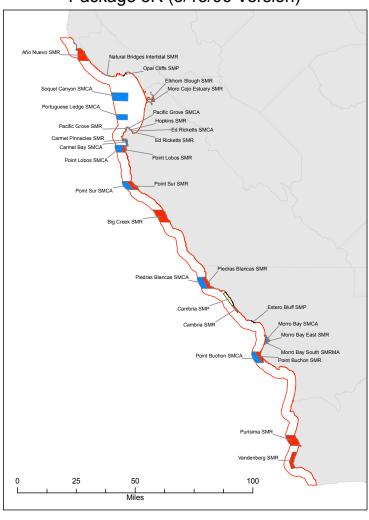


- Understand non-market values of ecosystems
- Incorporate non-market values into economic models



MPA Network Proposals

Package 3R (3/15/06 Version)



Package 2R (3/15/06 Version)



