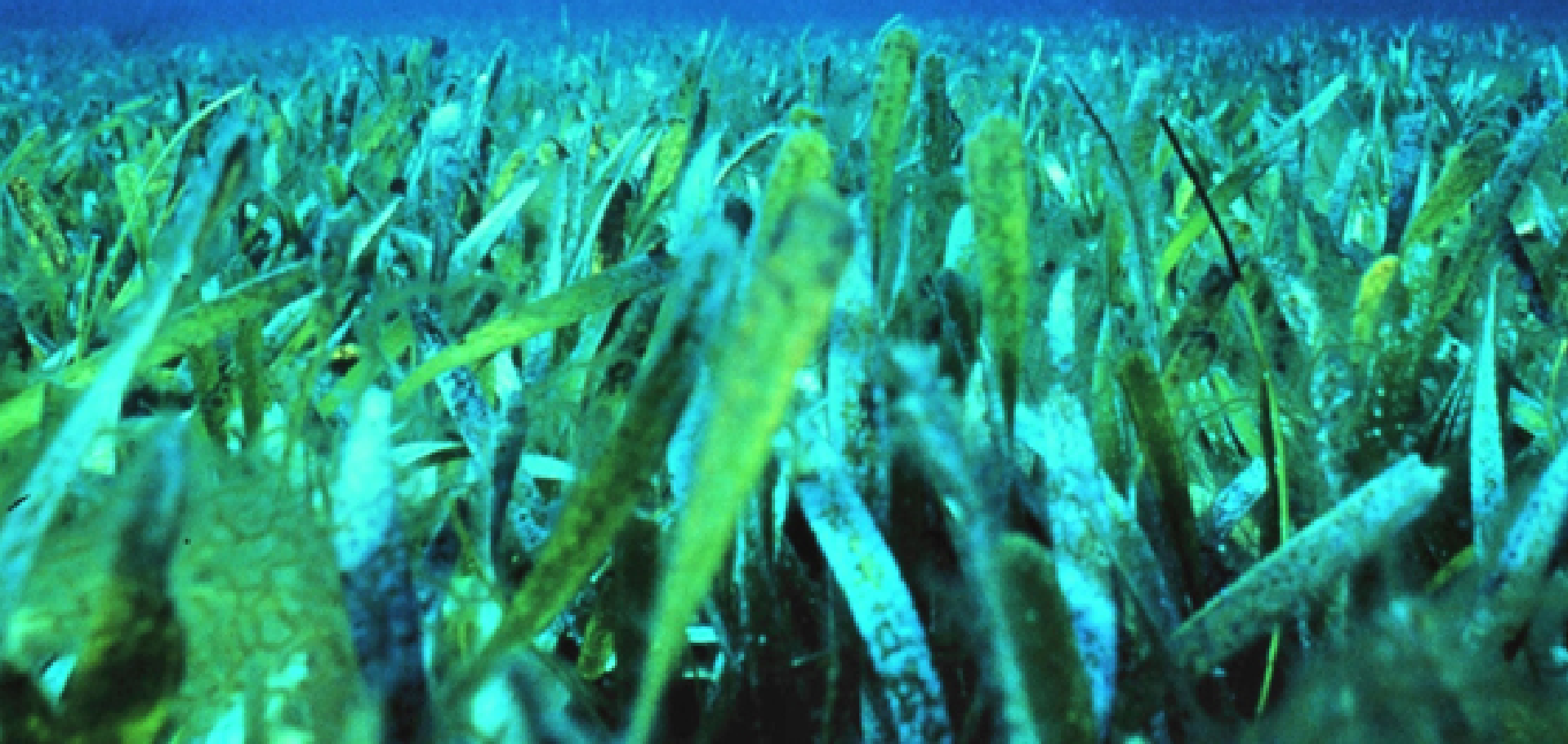
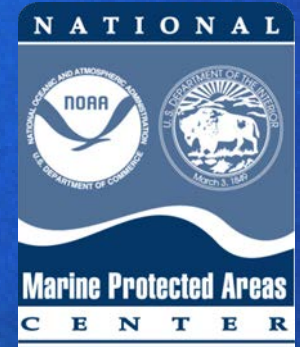


Updating the National System Framework

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For MPA Federal Advisory Committee

June 2-4, 2014



Executive Order 13158

- Develop and implement a scientifically based, comprehensive national system of MPAs representing diverse U.S. marine ecosystems, and the Nation's natural and cultural resources
- Improve MPA coordination, stewardship and effectiveness
- Support, not interfere with, agencies' independent exercise of their own existing authorities.

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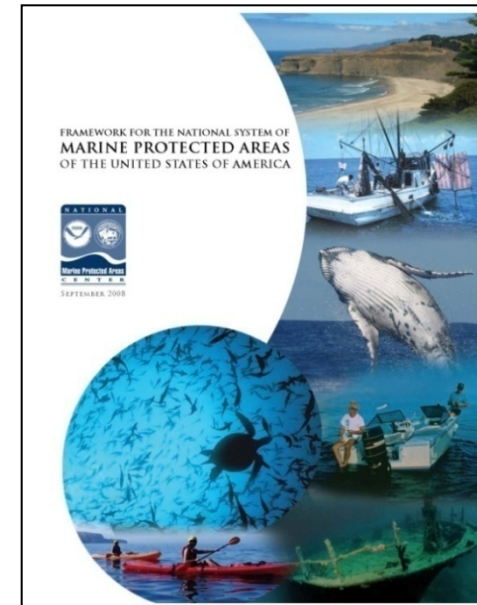
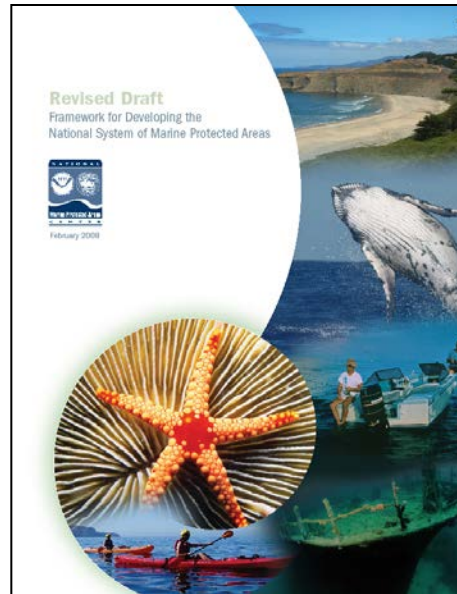
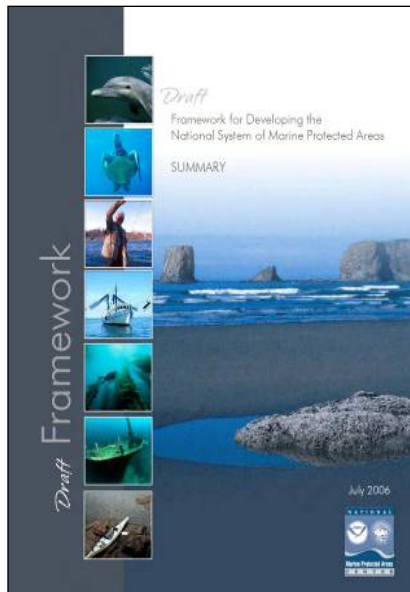
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Marine Protected Areas

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America and in furtherance of the purposes of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act (16 U.S.C. 1431 *et seq.*), National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd-ee), National Park Service Organic Act (16 U.S.C. 1 *et seq.*), National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470 *et seq.*), Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 *et seq.*), Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1451 *et seq.*), Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), Marine Mammal Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1362 *et seq.*), Clean Water Act of 1977 (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*), National Environmental Policy Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (42 U.S.C. 1321 *et seq.*), and other authorities vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, I hereby order, as follows:

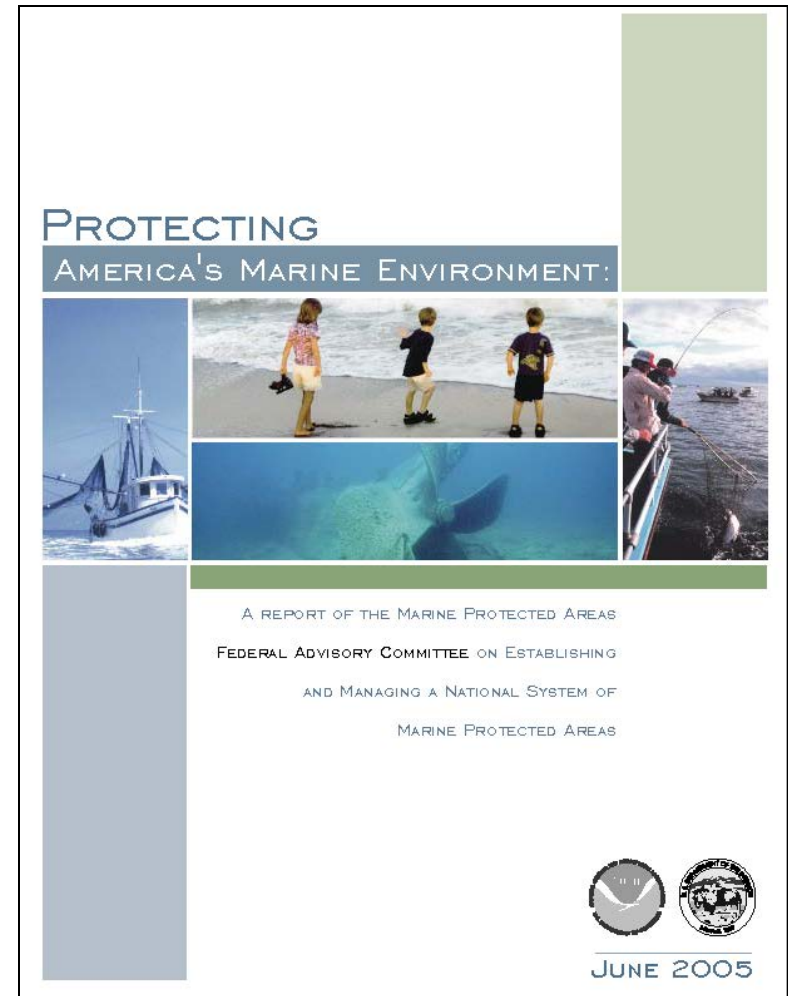
Framework Development Process

- 2005-2008
- Extensive Engagement with federal agencies, states, tribes and stakeholders
- Three drafts developed for public comment



Role of MPA FAC in Developing Framework

- Extensive involvement in development of goals, definitions, nomination process, principles



FRAMEWORK FOR THE NATIONAL SYSTEM OF
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Why Update?

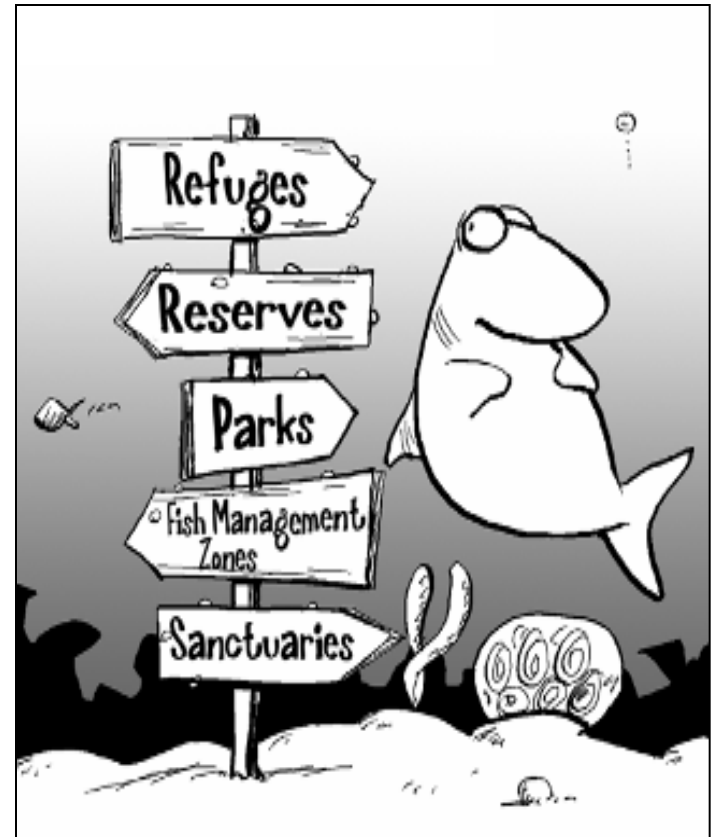
- Reflect implementation experience since November 2008
- Incorporate MPA Federal Advisory Committee recommendations
- Reflect changing ocean policy, science and management context

Major Milestones in National System Development

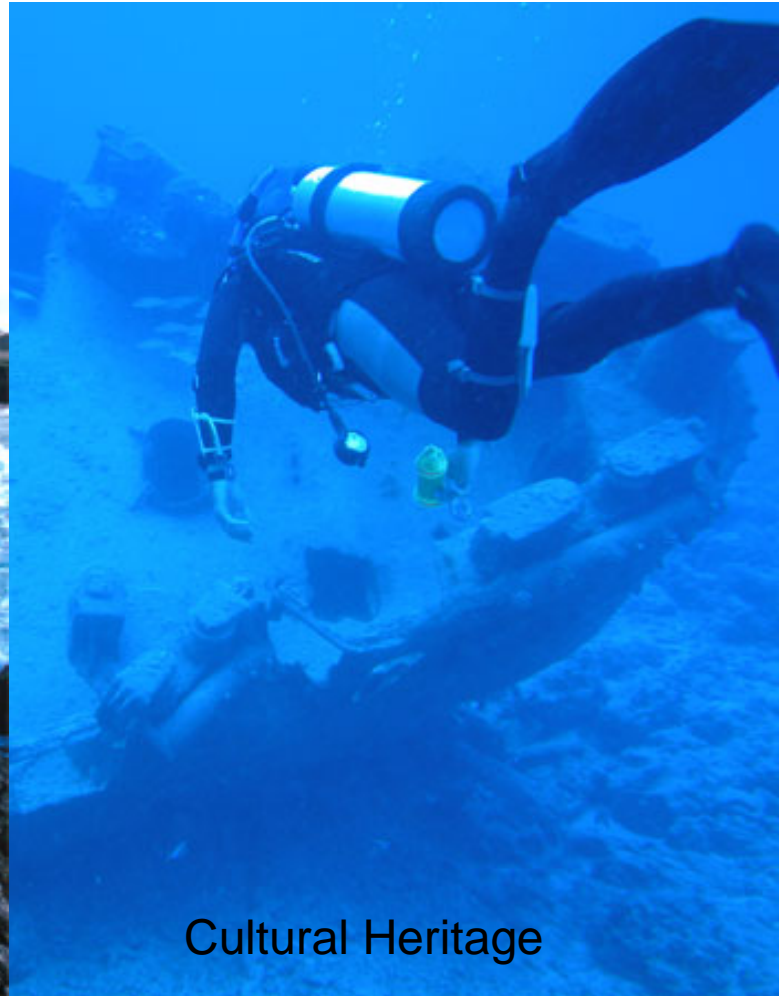
- Nov 2008 – National System Framework completed
- April 2009 – First 225 “charter” sites accepted into system
- June 2009 – First meeting of MPA System partners
- Today – 437 sites in National System

What's the Same?

- National System goals and objectives
- MPA definitions
- Nomination process



National System Goals



What's Different?

- Shortened and streamlined language
- Separated sections about existing and new MPAs to make it clearer which is being discussed
- Focused more on functions of national system, rather than operational mechanics
- More flexible approach to engaging in MPA activities in regions
- Broader view of cultural resources
- Greater recognition of tribally managed areas as potential members of the National System

Framework Review Process

- Federal Agency Review (through mid-June)
- Public review (90 days; late summer 2014)
 - FAC members will also have an opportunity to review
- Revised/Final draft (late 2014)