

California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative
Commonly Used Acronyms and Abbreviated Terms
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Most Commonly Used

APA	Administrative Procedures Act
ASBS	area of special biological significance
BRTF	MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
DFG	California Department of Fish and Game
DPR (or State Parks)	California Department of Parks and Recreation
F&GC	California Fish and Game Commission
GIS	geographic information system
I-Team	MLPA Initiative Team (consists of initiative staff, DFG and DPR staff, and contractors)
LOP	level of protection
MLPA	Marine Life Protection Act
MLPAI	Marine Life Protection Act Initiative (established through MOU among California Natural Resources Agency, DFG and RLFF)
MLMA	Marine Life Management Act
MMA	marine managed area
MMAIA	Marine Managed Areas Improvement Act
MOU	memorandum of understanding
MPA	marine protected area
NCRSG	MLPA North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group
NCSR	MLPA North Coast Study Region
RLFF	Resources Legacy Fund Foundation
RSG	MLPA regional stakeholder group
SAT	MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team
SIG	MLPA Statewide Interests Group
SMCA	state marine conservation area
SMP	state marine park
SMR	state marine reserve
SMRMA	state marine recreational management area
SCRSG	MLPA South Coast Regional Stakeholder Group
SCSR	MLPA South Coast Study Region

Other Commonly Used

Bay-Delta`	San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta estuary
BLM	U.S. Bureau of Land Management
CBNMS	Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary
CCNM	California Coastal National Monument
CCRSG	MLPA Central Coast Regional Stakeholder Group
CCSR	MLPA Central Coast Study Region
CINMS	Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary
CPUE	catch per unit of effort
EIR	environmental impact report
EIS	environmental impact statement
FMP	fishery management plan
GFNMS	Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary
Marine Region	Marine Region of the California Department of Fish and Game
MBNMS	Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary
NCCRSG	MLPA North Central Coast Regional Stakeholder Group
NCCSR	MLPA North Central Coast Study Region
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service (also known as NOAA Fisheries)
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
OPC	California Ocean Protection Council
PFMC	Pacific Fisheries Management Council
ROV	remotely operated vehicle
RWQCB	regional water quality control board
SCSR	MLPA South Coast Study Region
SFRSG	MLPA San Francisco Bay Regional Stakeholder Group
SFSR	MLPA San Francisco Bay Study Region
SWRCB	State Water Resources Control Board
Title 14	Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations