

Marine Life Protection Act Initiative



Overview of April 2008 North Central Coast MPA Proposals

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Evolution of NCCRSG MPA Proposals

Round 1- October '07 (10 options*)

- Proposal 0 (Existing MPAs)
- 6 NCCRSG MPA Options
- 4 Draft External Proposals



Round 2- December '07 (5 draft proposals*)

- Proposal 0 (Existing MPAs)
- 4 Draft NCCRSG Proposals
- 1 Revised Draft External Proposal



Round 3- March '08 (3 final proposals*)

- Proposal 0 (Existing MPAs)
- 3 NCCRSG Proposals (1-3, 2-XA, 4)

* Total does not include Proposal 0



BRTF Recommendation to FGC

BRTF Meeting- April 22-23, '08

(4 MPA proposals + existing MPAs)

To be forwarded to California Fish and Game Commission:

- Proposal 0 (Existing MPAs)
- 3 NCCRSG Proposals (1-3, 2-XA, 4)
- Integrated Preferred Alternative (IPA) as recommended by the MLPA BRTF
 - Developed at the BRTF meeting
 - Integrated elements from all three NCCRSG proposals

Proposal 0 (Existing MPAs)

13 MPAs (4% of study region)

- 1 state marine reserve (<1%)
- 10 state marine conservation areas
- 2 state marine parks

0 state marine recreational management areas

0 special closures



Map 1 North Central Coast Study Region and Existing State Marine Protected Areas

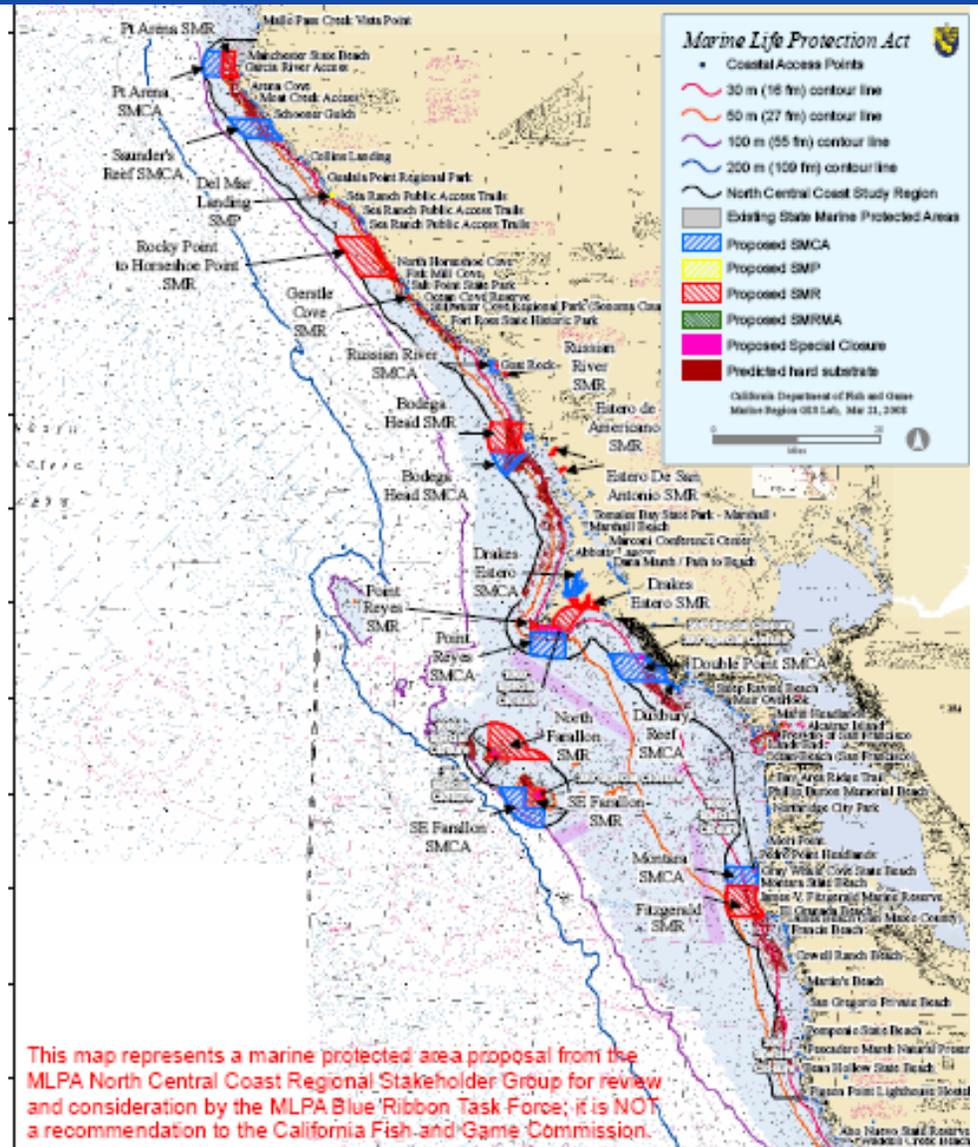
NCCRSG Proposal 1-3

23 MPAs (22% of study region)

- 12 state marine reserves (11%)
- 10 state marine conservation areas
- 1 state marine park

0 state marine recreational management areas

7 special closures



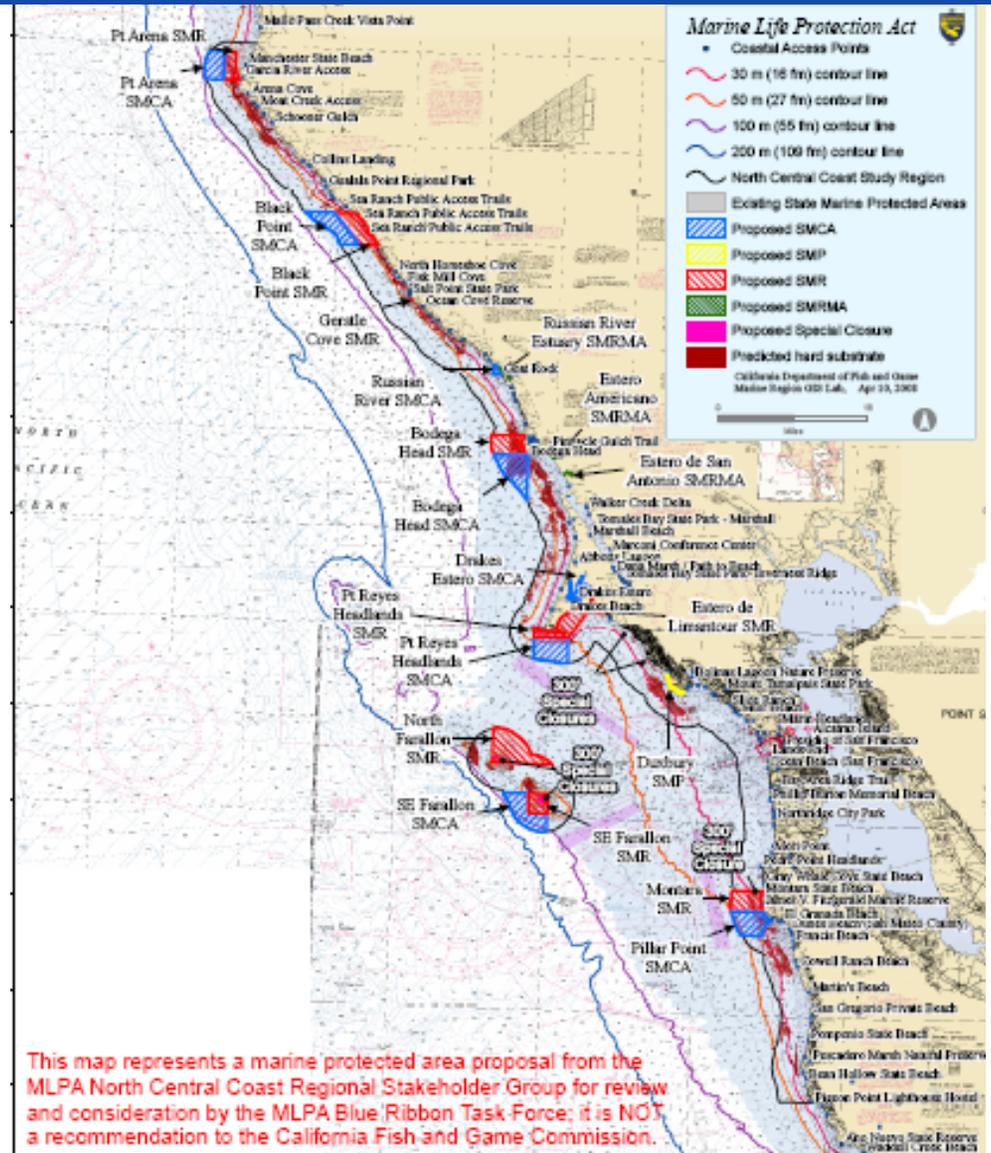
NCCRSG Proposal 2-XA

18 MPAs (18% of study region)

- 9 state marine reserves (9%)
- 8 state marine conservation areas
- 1 state marine park

3 state marine recreational management areas (< 1%)

5 special closures



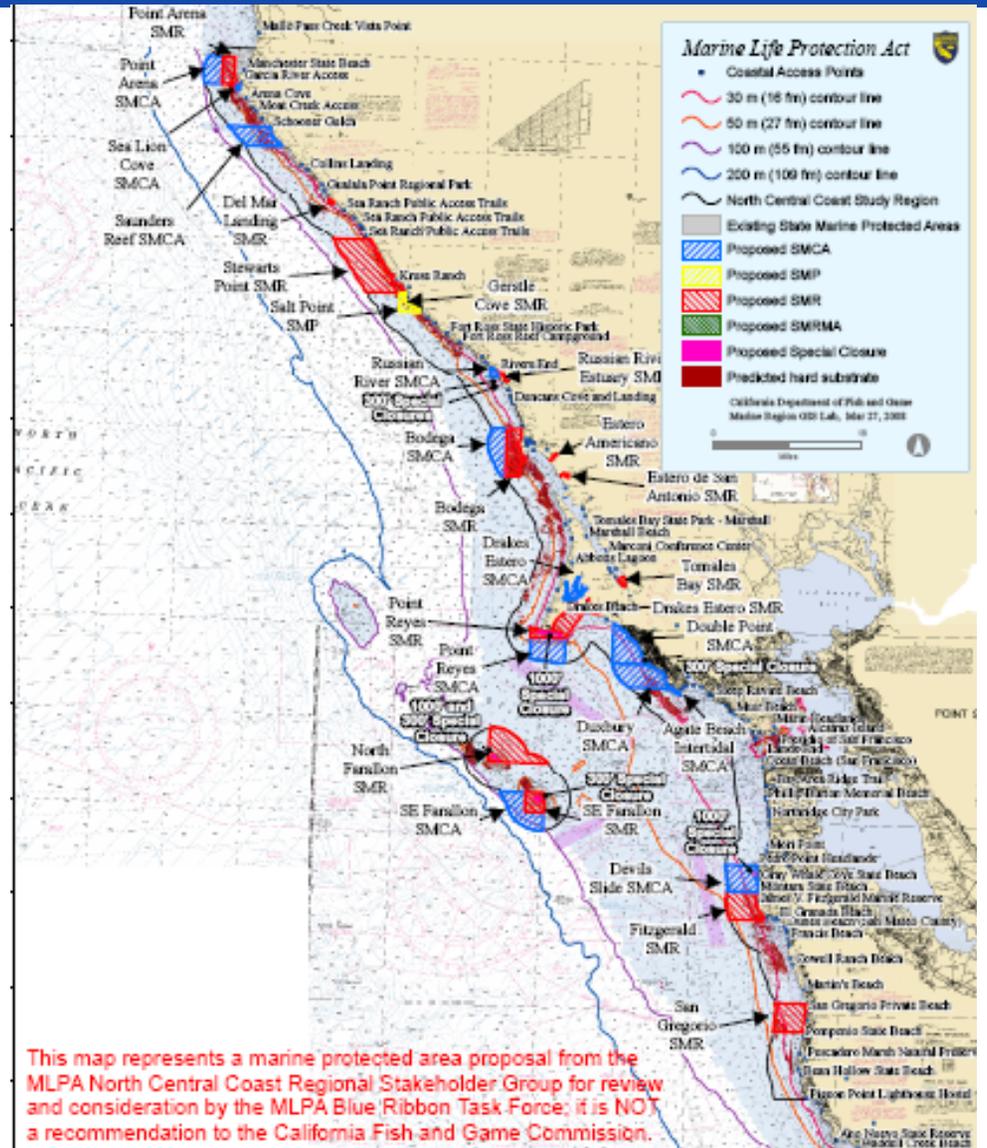
NCCRSNG Proposal 4

28 MPAs (27% of study region)

- 15 state marine reserves (14%)
- 12 state marine conservation areas
- 1 state marine park

0 state marine recreational management areas

7 special closures



North Central Coast Study Region
NCCRSNG Proposal 4



Integrated Preferred Alternative

22 MPAs (20% of study region)

- 11 state marine reserves (11%)
- 9 state marine conservation areas
- 2 state marine parks

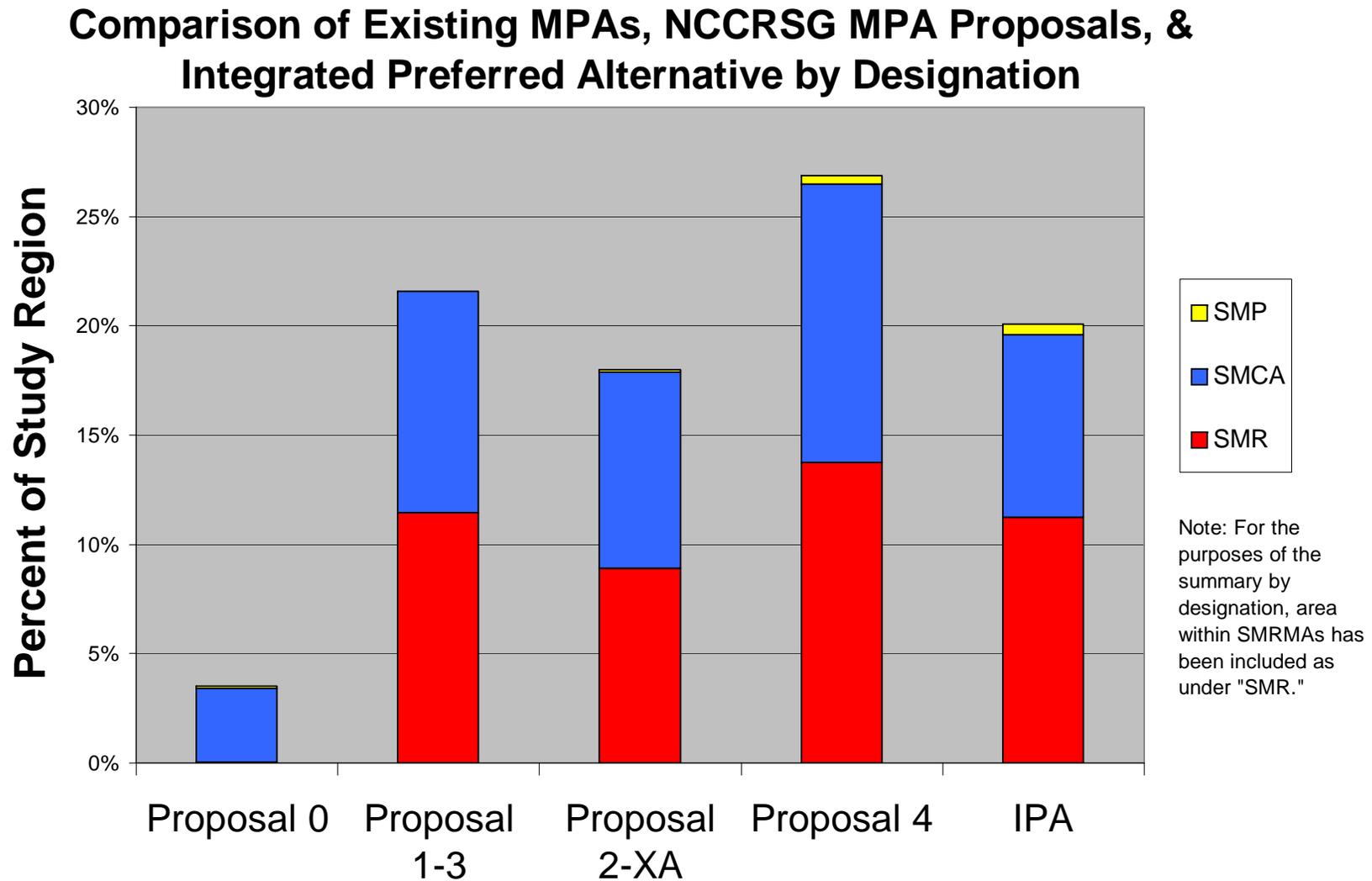
2 state marine recreational management areas (< 1%)

6 special closures



North Central Coast Study Region
Integrated Preferred Alternative

Area in MPAs By Designation





Area in MPAs by Level of Protection

Comparison of Existing MPAs, NCCRSG MPA Proposals, & Integrated Preferred Alternative by Level of Protection

