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Regional Marine Protected Area Petitions Meeting (Los Angeles through San Diego counties, including Santa Catalina Island)

Meeting Document Index

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[Meeting Goals, Expectations, and Format](#)

[Meeting Binder](#) (60 MB)

1. Consider Approving Agenda and Order of Items

Marine Protected Area (MPA) Petitions

- [Introduction to MPA Petitions and Evaluations](#)
Includes links to key documents
- *MPA petitions and compiled public comments to date are available to view through the Commission's website at [California Marine Protected Areas - Initial Webpage](#) or [Status of MPA Petitions for Regulation Change](#).*
- *Department petition evaluations with recommendations are available to view through the Department's [Bin 2 MPA Petition Evaluations StoryMap](#).*
- *A recording of the Department's presentation of MPA petition evaluations and recommendations, given during the April 15-16, 2026 Commission meeting, can be viewed by visiting the [CAL-SPAN Network](#).*
- *California Ocean Protection Council petition policy letter (see Latest News dated March 20, 2026) and evaluations (date TBD) are available to view through its website at [California Ocean Protection Council](#).*

2. [Petition 2023-24MPA AM1](#): Request to shift the nearshore boundary between the Laguna Beach State Marine Conservation Area (SMCA) (No Take) and the Dana Point SMCA south to the Laguna Beach city limit, thereby increasing the nearshore area within the no-take SMCA.

3. [Petition 2023-14MPA](#): Request to allow the commercial take of sea urchin in Point Dume SMCA, Point Vicente SMCA (No Take), and Swami's SMCA.

4. [Petition 2023-33MPA AM1](#): Request to expand the western boundary of Point Dume SMCA and change the take allowances to allow recreational take from shore by hook and line and spearfishing; and expand the boundaries of Cabrillo SMR westward and northward.
5. [Petition 2023-34MPA](#): Request to change the current take allowance at Farnsworth Onshore SMCA and Farnsworth Offshore SMCA to allow only recreational spearfishing.

6. **General Public Comment, Future Meetings, and New Business**

(A) [General Public Comment](#)

(B) [Future meetings and new business](#)

Review logistics and agenda items for the next Commission meeting (June 17-18). Consider any changes to previously approved meeting dates or locations and introduce any new business for inclusion on a future meeting agenda.