



National Marine Sanctuaries, West Coast Region

Check-in Briefing with MBNMS Advisory Council

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Topics for Today

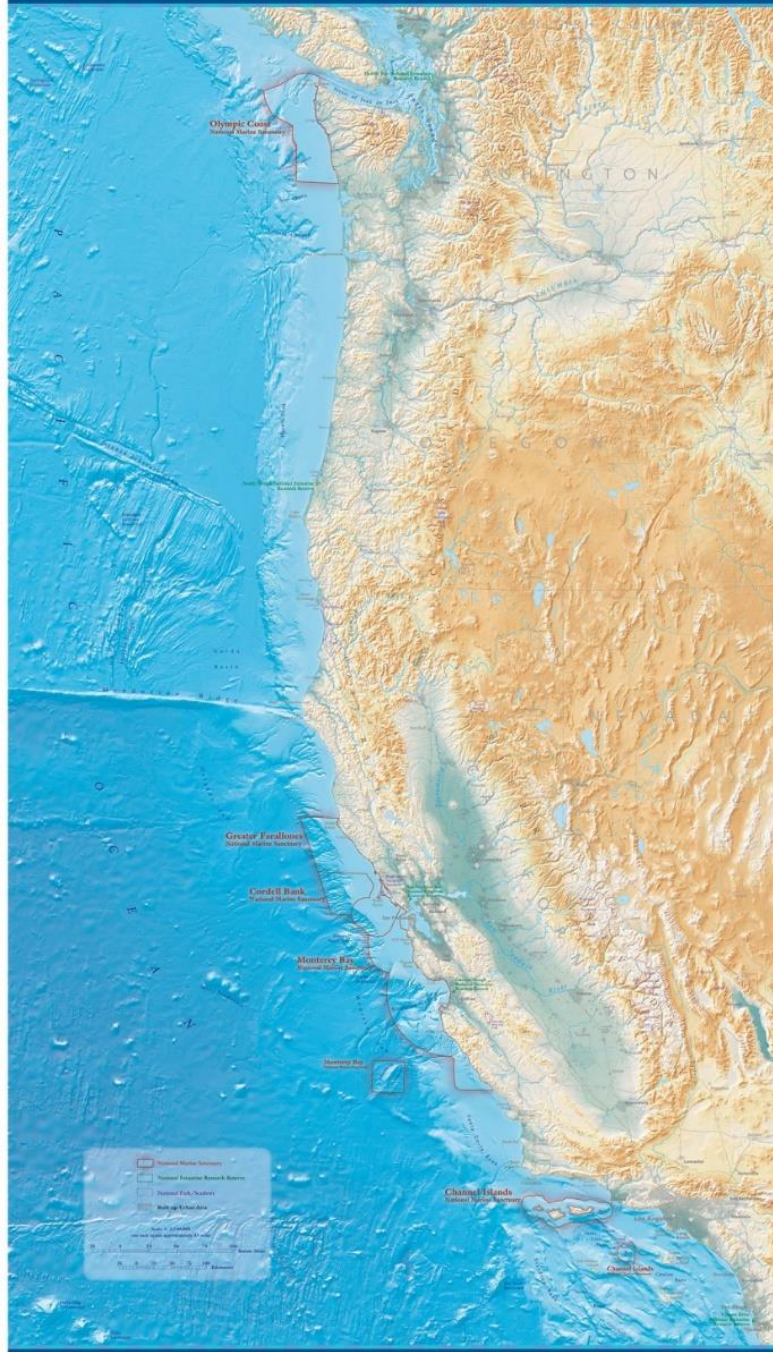
Adjusting to COVID

30th/50th Anniversary

Budget Picture

WCR Priorities

New Sanctuary Designations - CHNMMS



Adjusting to COVID



Enormous Challenge for Nation and for ONMS

Working on Getting Operations “Back to Normal”

Visitor Centers Functioning

Vessel and Other Field Ops Close to “Normal”

Working from the Office Guided by CDC and Local Conditions

Advisory Council Meetings and Other Public Meetings Being Phased Back In

30th // 50th Anniversaries



Big Year of Celebration

Monterey Bay Sanctuary Foundation

Gala – September 17

Possibly Another Event in Monterey in October

MBNMS Anniversary Event at Exploration Center – September 18

ONMS 50th Anniversary Events in and around October 22

Stamp Series – First Day of Issuance at Exploration Center, August

Netflix Focus on MBNMS – “Our Great National Parks”

Budget Picture



Quick Reminder on Federal Budgeting Process

Overview

	Actual <u>FY22</u>	Pres. Request <u>FY23</u>
Operations	\$61 M	\$86.7 M
Construction	\$ 5 M	\$ 4 M

Current Status of “Markups”

Senate Approps: \$70 M (Operations) // \$ 7 M (Construction)

House Approps: \$68 M (Operations) // \$10 M (Construction)

Other Potential Funds

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Multi-Lateral Priorities

Whale Conservation

Benthic Habitat/Deep Sea Corals

Climate Change Adaptation

Blue Economy

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Bi-Lateral Priorities

Kelp Forest Restoration (GF lead, w/MBNMS)

Sub-Adult White Shark Monitoring (CI lead, w/MBNMS)

Vessel Groundings (MB lead, w/GFNMS)

Big-Watershed Collaboration w/USFS (WCRO lead, w/MBNMS)

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Ongoing Priorities

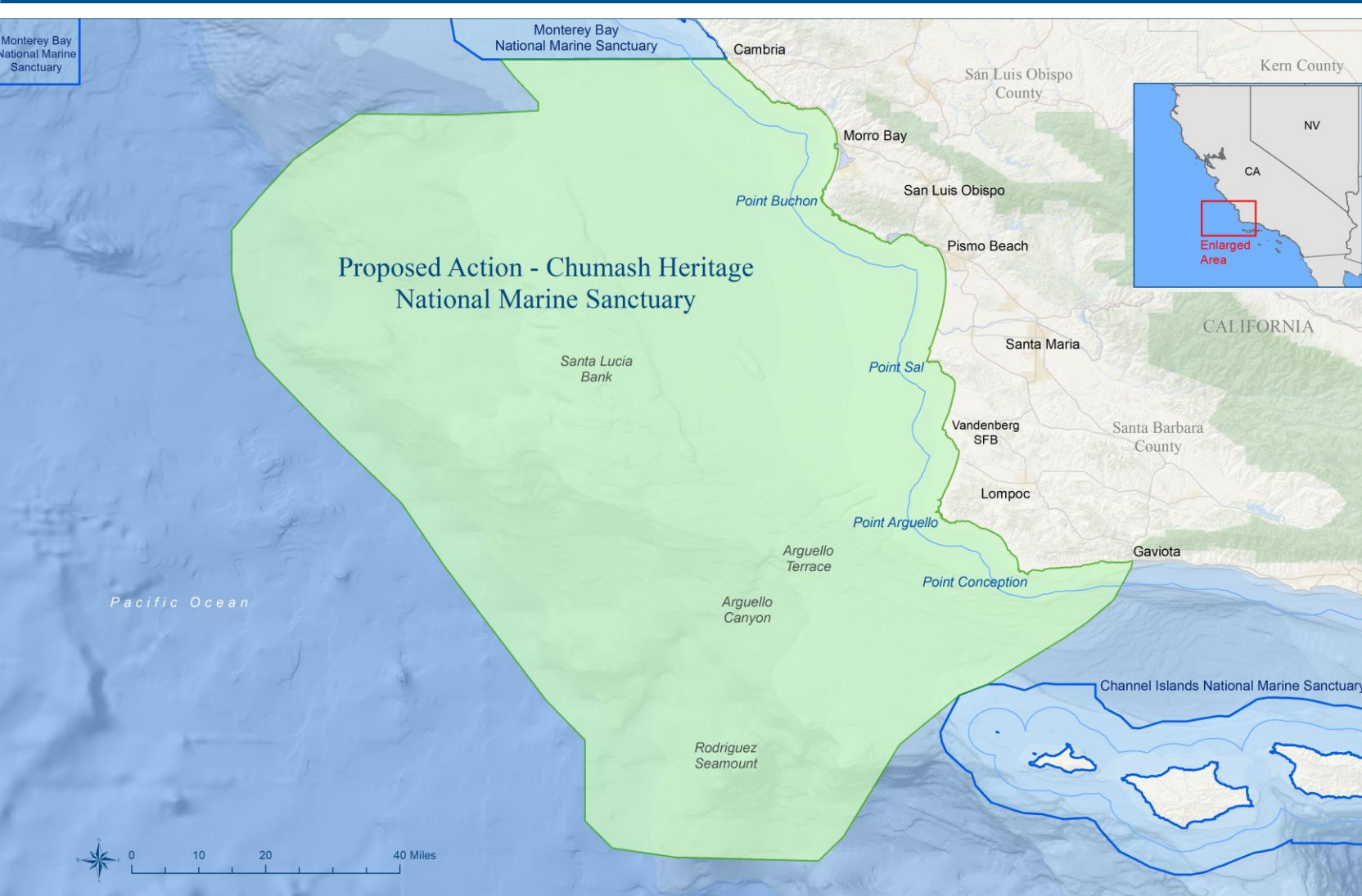
Improve Enforcement Outcomes

Facilities Planning

New Sanctuary Designations



Chumash Heritage NMS Designation



Striving for Release of Draft Materials by end-of-year '22

27,000 Comments During Scoping, Vast Majority in Favor

Plethora of Issues

- Offshore Energy – oil and gas, offshore wind, Diablo Canyon power plant
- Military operations
- Indigenous collaborative management
- Various boundary options



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