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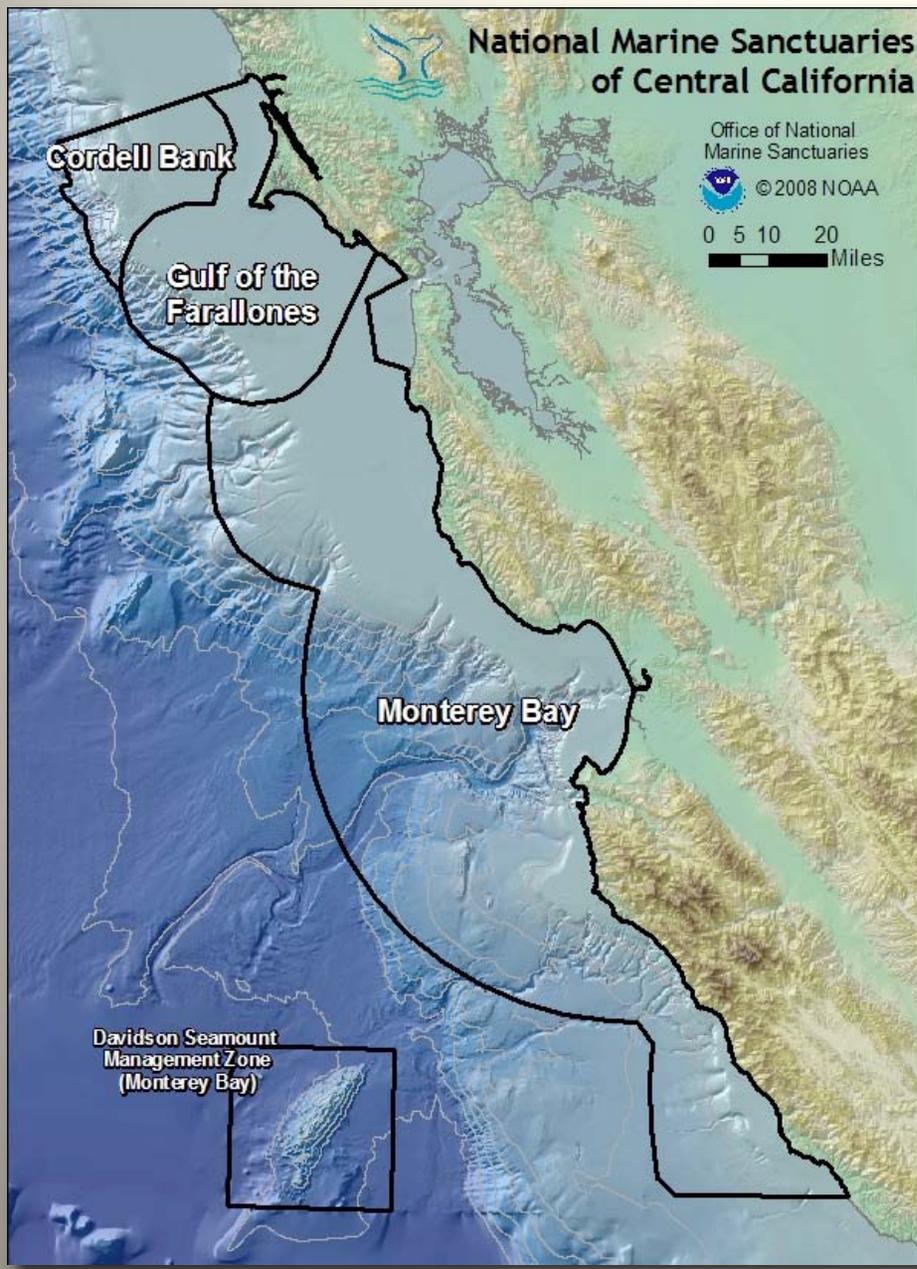


Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Management Plan

Implementation Process

April 17, 2009





**Final Management Plans
& new regulations for the
3 central coast sanctuaries
became effective on
March 9, 2009!**

**Time to roll up our
sleeves!!**



ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

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22 action plans within 6 overarching categories:

I. Coastal Development (4 Action Plans)

Coastal Armoring, Desalination, Harbors and Dredge Disposal, and Submerged Cables

II. Ecosystem Protection (7 Action Plans)

Big Sur Coastal Ecosystem Action Plan, Bottom Trawling Effects on Benthic Habitats, Davidson Seamount, Emerging Issues, Introduced Species, SIMoN, and Marine Protected Areas

III. Operations and Administration (2 Action Plans)

Operations and Administration and Performance Evaluation



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IV. Partnerships and Opportunities (3 Action Plans)

Fishing Related Education and Research, Interpretive Facilities, and Ocean Literacy and Constituent Building

V. Water Quality (3 Action Plans)

Beach Closures and Microbial Contamination, Cruise Ship Discharges, Water Quality Protection Program Implementation

VI. Wildlife Disturbance (3 Action Plans)

Marine Mammal, Seabird, and Turtle Disturbance, Motorized Personal Watercraft, and Tidepool Protection



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5 cross-cutting action plans in partnership with GFNMS and CBNMS:

VII. Cross Cutting Action Plans (5 Action Plans)

- Administration & Operations
- Community Outreach
- Ecosystem Monitoring
- Maritime Heritage
- Northern Management Area





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27 action plans need to be implemented over the next 5 years - that includes 170 strategies in total

Various factors are involved with implementation. They include:

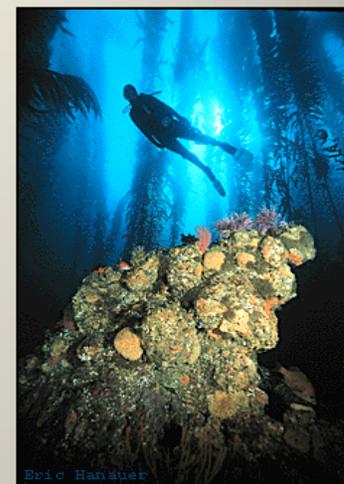
1. What is the current status of implementation for each strategy?
Is a strategy initiated, in process of implementation, or completed?
2. What is the priority of each strategy based on resources available?
As resources become available, a greater level of implementation is possible
3. What is the coordination level necessary with partners?
Most strategies will require some level of coordination with partners
4. What is the funding source to implement a strategy?
Funding will require a mix of internal ONMS and external sources such as grants



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- Table 1-1.0 Action Plan Strategy Funding Scenarios (pages 60-67 in MP) identifies each of the previous factors.
- This table was developed with staff and Advisory Council input
- Now, in a new economic climate, we need to take another, fresh look at this implementation plan and evaluate the current status of each action plan





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Summary of process to evaluate status of each action plan

1. Staff convenes internal cross-teams (one person from each dept) to evaluate current status of each action plan in FY09. This includes identifying current activities (if any) as well as partner activities in progress (if any). This action will be completed by April 30, 2009.
2. Based on current status, staff leads for each action plan recommend feasible & high priority activities to include in the FY10 annual operating plan (AOP). Medium to low priority will go into FY11 & 12.



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Summary of process to evaluate status of each action plan

3. Management team evaluates staff recommendations based on past prioritization level (Table 1-1.0), projected available internal resources, and partnership coordination levels. This action completed by May 30.
4. Recommendations and revised priority levels for each action plan presented to Sanctuary Advisory Council for feedback at June SAC mtg.



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Performance Evaluation Action Plan

- Requires annual assessment of Management Plan implementation
- This assessment will be conducted by staff to monitor performance consistently over time
- Staff will report evaluation results to the Advisory Council and the public
- As this process develops, MBNMS will incorporate partner feedback to assess joint management actions and partner-dependent strategies

(see Performance Evaluation Action Plan for specific strategies)



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