

## California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative Blue Ribbon Task Force

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RE: Support for (a) augmenting seafloor mapping (Conservancy Agenda Item 3), the Statewide Marine Protected Area Monitoring Program (Conservancy Agenda Item 4) and the Central Coast Marine Protected Area Monitoring project (Conservancy Agenda Item 5) at a Conservancy meeting on 11/9 and OPC meeting on 11/28

Dear Mr. Bosco and Mr. Chrisman:

The three agenda items reference above are critical to successful implementation of the Marine Life Protection Act and urge that the Conservancy and the OPC support these activities.

Useful habitat maps support the design of networks of MPAs and the requested augmentation of current mapping would complete high priority mapping up to Pt. Arena, a likely boundary between MLPA study regions. One designated, effective monitoring of the performance of networks of MPAs is critical to policy makers' judgments of their performance and provides the foundation for learning and adaptive management.

Sincerely,



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