

Project Timeline

2006

Assess existing discrepancies between HPA rules and law

2007

Compile background scientific documentation and prepare white papers

2008

Conduct baseline monitoring of HPA compliance and effectiveness

Public and tribal involvement

Develop GIS layer for HPAs issued statewide

2009

Convene HCP Advisory Committee to review scientific information and recommend mitigation and conservation strategies for HPA activity types

Finalize lists of covered species and activities

Create a comprehensive monitoring and adaptive management program for the HCP

2010

Formulate draft HCP

Issue draft HCP for public review

2011

Conduct public meetings for draft HCP

Issue final HCP for approval by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service

Staying informed

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