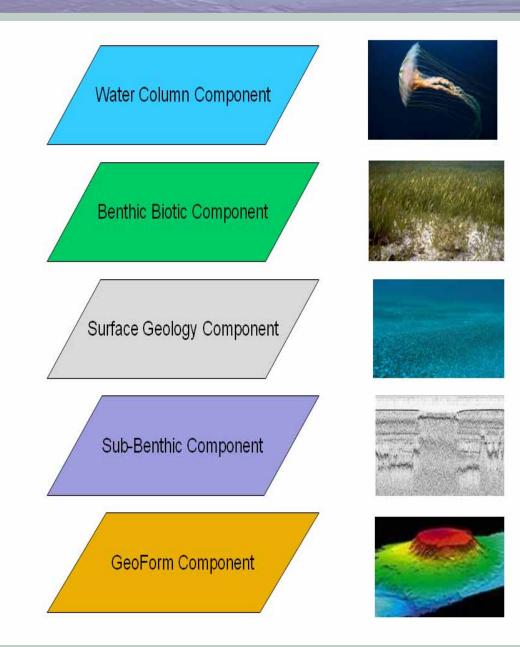


How Prepared Is California To Apply CMECS?

- CSMP products
- CSMP schedule
- CMECS classification
 - •Surface Geology Component
 - •Geoform Component



- 1) Color shaded bathymetric relief (CSU Monterey Bay lead)
- 2) Gray-scale shaded bathymetric relief (CSU Monterey Bay lead)
- 3) Gray-scale backscatter (CSU Monterey Bay lead)
- 4) Data Integration and Visualization (USGS lead)
- 5) Seafloor character (USGS lead)
- 6) Ground-truth surveying data and imagery (USGS lead)
- 7) Seafloor Benthic Habitat (Moss Landing Marine Lab lead)
- 8) Compilation of seismic-reflection data (USGS lead)
- 9) Local and regional shallow subsurface geology and structure (USGS lead)
- 10) Onshore/offshore geology map (USGS onshore lead; CGS offshore lead)



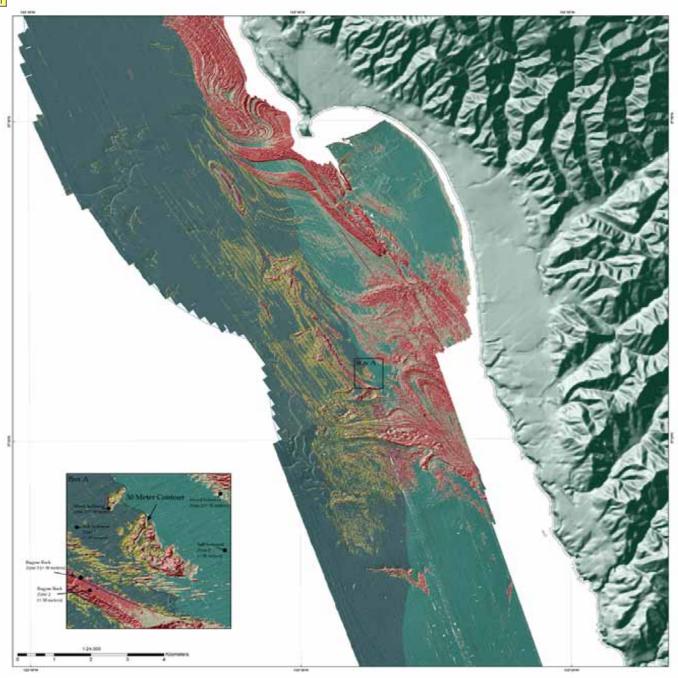
California MLPA Minimum Benthic Habitat Classes

Seafloor Habitats

- Rocky reefs
- •Intertidal zones
- •Sandy or soft ocean bottoms
- •Underwater pinnacles
- •Submarine canyons

Depth Zones

- •Intertidal
- •Intertidal to 30m
- •30 to 100m
- •100 to 200m
- •200m and deeper













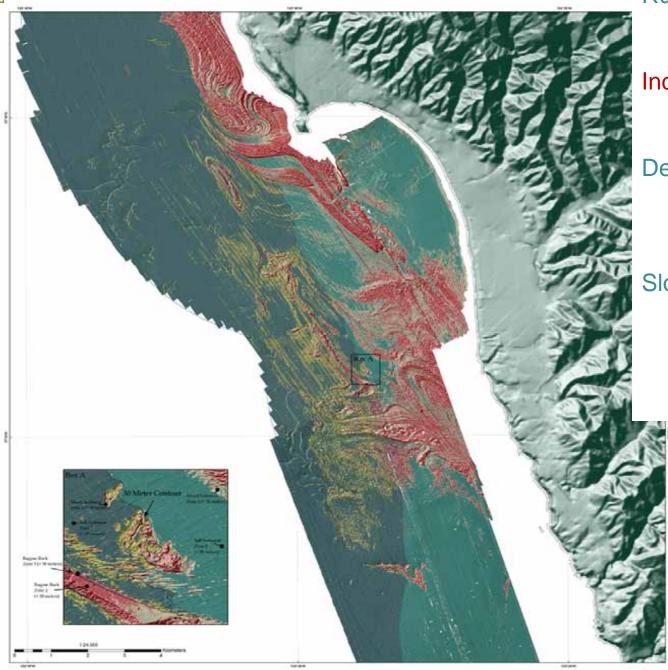












Rugosity Classes:

Smooth

Rugose

Induration Classes:

Soft

Hard

Depth Classes:

0 - 30m

30 - 100m

100 - 200m

Slope Zones:

0 - 5 degrees

5 - 30 degrees

30 - 60 degrees

60 - 90 degrees

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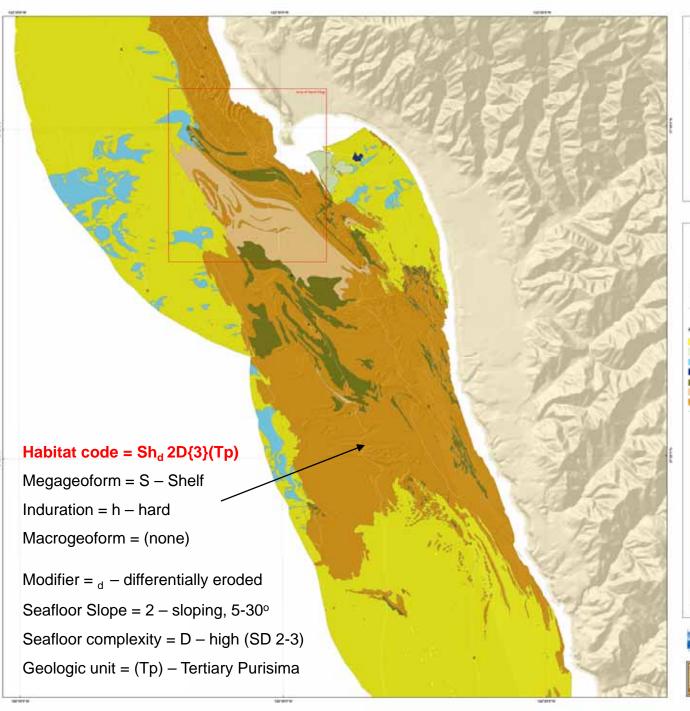




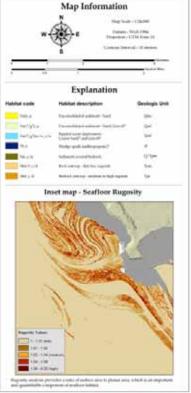
















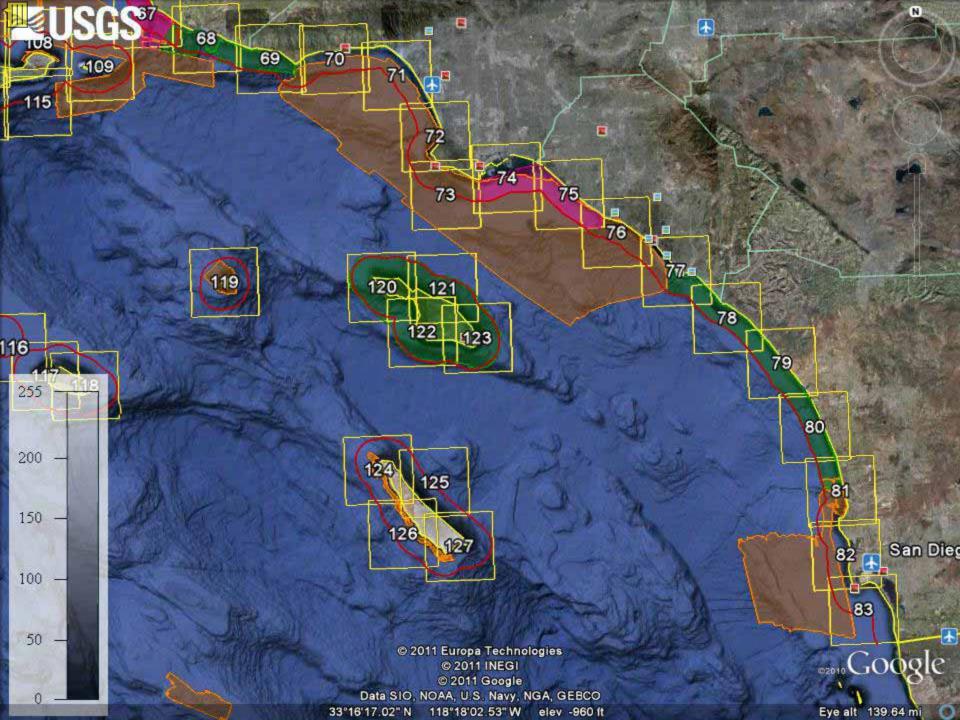


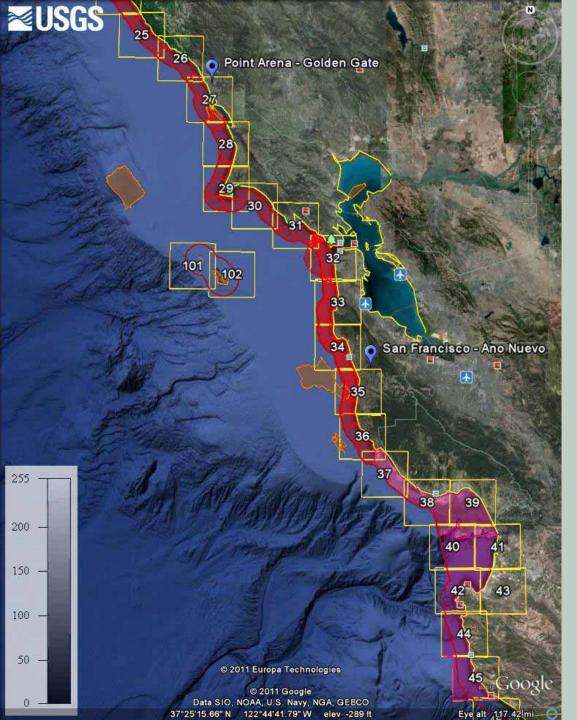












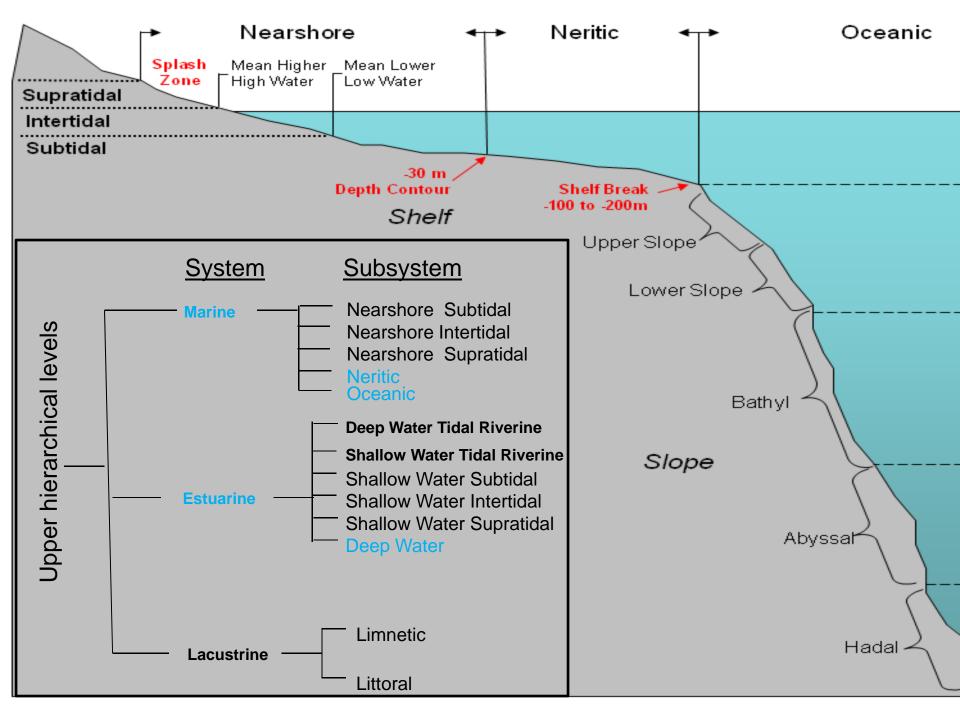
Scientific Investigation Map Production Schedule

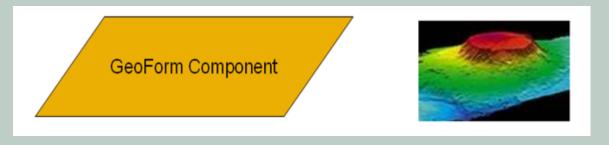
2011 - Blocks 62-67

2012 - Blocks 31-35

2013 - Blocks 25-30

2014 - Blocks 36-42





The geological setting and associated features of the land/seascape.

-describes the structure of the physical environment across multiple scales

- -addresses five aspects of the coastal and seafloor morphology: Coastal Region, Physiographic Setting, Geoform, Subform, and Anthropogenic Geoform.
- -adopts most of the structures described by Greene et al. (2007), but expands the options to include a larger number of coastal and nearshore features.

Heirarchy:

- Coastal regions based on terrestrial standards (3.5 in California)
- •Physiographic settings (Greene megahabitat >100km) shelf, abyssal plain...
- •Geoforms (Greene mesohabitat <100km) alluvial fans, atolls, channels...
- •Subforms (Greene meso- or macrohabitats) parts of a geoform, canyon wall, canyon flank...

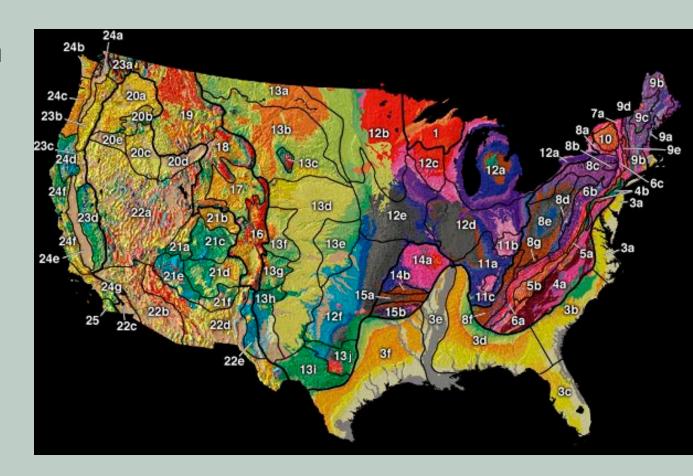


US Physiographic Provinces

PACIFIC MOUNTAIN SYSTEM

Cascade-Sierra Mountains
Northern Cascade Mountains
Middle Cascade Mountains
Southern Cascade Mountains
Sierra Nevada
Pacific Border province Puget
Trough
Olympic Mountains
Oregon Coast Range
Klamath Mountains
California Trough
California Coast Ranges (24f)
Los Angeles Ranges (24g)

Lower California province (25)



Surface Geology Component

Describes the geological composition and environment of the upper layer of the hard substrate and the upper 15 cm of soft substrate as well as the structural (non-living) aspects of biogenic substrates such as coral reefs.

Hierarchical: Class, Subclass, Group

Class: Rock Substrate

Subclass: Bedrock (>50%)

Subclass: Pavement (>50% bedrock and other hard bottom)

Class: Unconsolidated Substrate

Subclass: Fine Unconsolidated Substrate

Groups: Sand, Silt, Clay, Fine Mixes, Coarse Mixes

Subclass: Coarse unconsolidated substrate

Groups: Fragments, Shells/Corals

Class: Faunal Reef Substrate

Class: Coral Reef Substrate



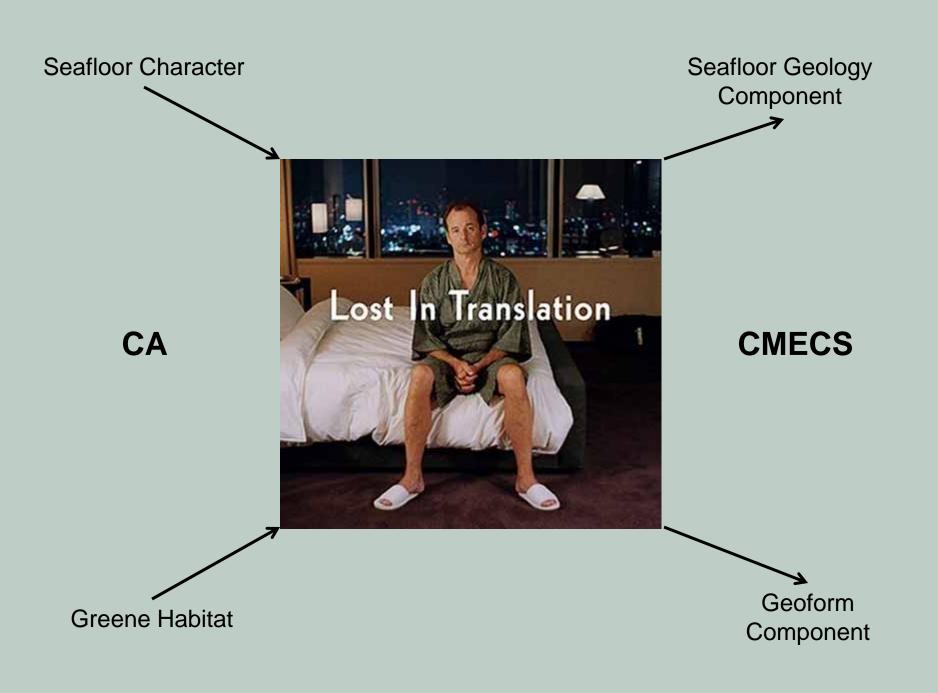
CMECS Seafloor Geology Component	Greene macrohabitat And Seafloor Character Map
Class: Rock Substrate Subclass: Bedrock Group: none	Greene (bedrock) and induration class (hard) SFC rugose-hard?
Class: Rock Substrate Subclass: Pavement Group:?	Greene (mixed?) and induration hard SFC smooth-hard?



CMECS Unconsolidated Class	Greene	
Class: Unconsolidated Substrate Subclass: Fragments(Pebble)	Modifier: unconsolidated microhabitat: Pebble	
Class: Unconsolidated Substrate Subclass: Sand	Modifier: unconsolidated microhabitat: Pebble	
Class: Unconsolidated Substrate Subclass: Mixes Group: Fine Mixes	Modifier: unconsolidated Microhabitat: Mixed Sediments	



CMECS Modifier	Greene Modifier - Processes
Energy Regime: High: area regularly experiences strong currents (> 3 knots), large oceanic swells, or breaking waves	Modifier: currents –winnowing
Class: Unconsolidated Substrate Subclass: Sand	Modifier: unconsolidated microhabitat: Pebble
Class: Unconsolidated Substrate Subclass: Mixes Group: Fine Mixes	Modifier: unconsolidated Microhabitat: Mixed Sediments





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60 - 90

CMECS Modifiers

Rugosity:

Very low 1-1.25

Low

Moderate

High

Very high > 2

Induration: none

Physiographic setting:

Nearshore

Neritic

Oceanic

Slope:

0 - 5 degrees

5 - 30

30 - 45

45 - 90

>90



Greene code translation to CMECS

Ssc(w)/g/l_s/u3: Shelf, soft, Canyon wall with gullies, landslide-scoured, unconsolidated, steeply sloping.

Shelf – Physiographic setting

Soft – no induration classes

Canyon wall – Geoform and a subform

Landslide (scoured) – process modifier? multiple subforms?

Unconsolidated - Class

Steeply sloping - Modifier



How ready is CSMP to implement CMECS?

- •Seafloor Character Raster is best not included in a CMECS translation effort
- •Geoforms match Greene meso-megahabitat well but a few Greene mesohabitats might be lost if we don't use multiple subforms
- •Surface Geologic Components don't match Greene as well and processes information especially would be lost.