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CALIFORNIA natural resources AGENCY

Item 5: Update on the Implementation of Assembly Bill 2139

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AB 2139 (Williams)

- Signed September 2016
- Stemmed from recommendations of West Coast OAH Panel

Directives to OPC

(subject to funding availability)

1. Develop an ocean acidification and hypoxia (OAH) science task force
2. Take actions to address OAH
3. Adopt recommendations for further actions at the first meeting of each year, starting 2018

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1. OAH Science Task Force

Mission: The Task Force will serve as a responsive advisory body that will provide scientific guidance to the OPC in an ongoing manner to inform continued actions on ocean acidification and hypoxia in California and along the West Coast.

Task Force Members

1. **Stephen Weisberg**, Southern California Coastal Water Research Project Authority, *Co-Chair*
2. **Francis Chan**, Oregon State University, *Co-Chair*
3. **Sarah Cooley**, Ocean Conservancy
4. **Jim Barry**, Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute
5. **Lisa Levin**, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, UC San Diego
6. **Richard Feely**, NOAA - Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory
7. **Shallin Busch**, NOAA - Ocean Acidification Program
8. **Alexandria Boehm**, Stanford University

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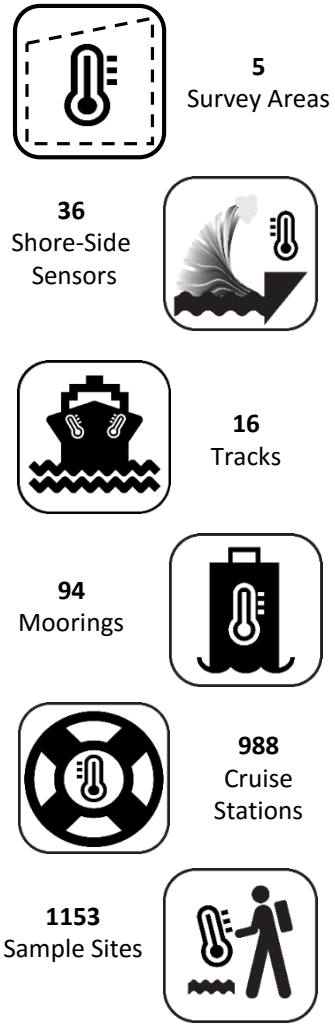
West Coast OAH Monitoring Inventory

- Vision - improved OAH monitoring capacity along the West Coast through jointly building an integrated monitoring network aimed to address management needs.

- British Columbia, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, and California have inventoried their research and monitoring communities.

- **ALL of the information collected is being made into digital tools and web maps for the use of natural resource managers and researchers**



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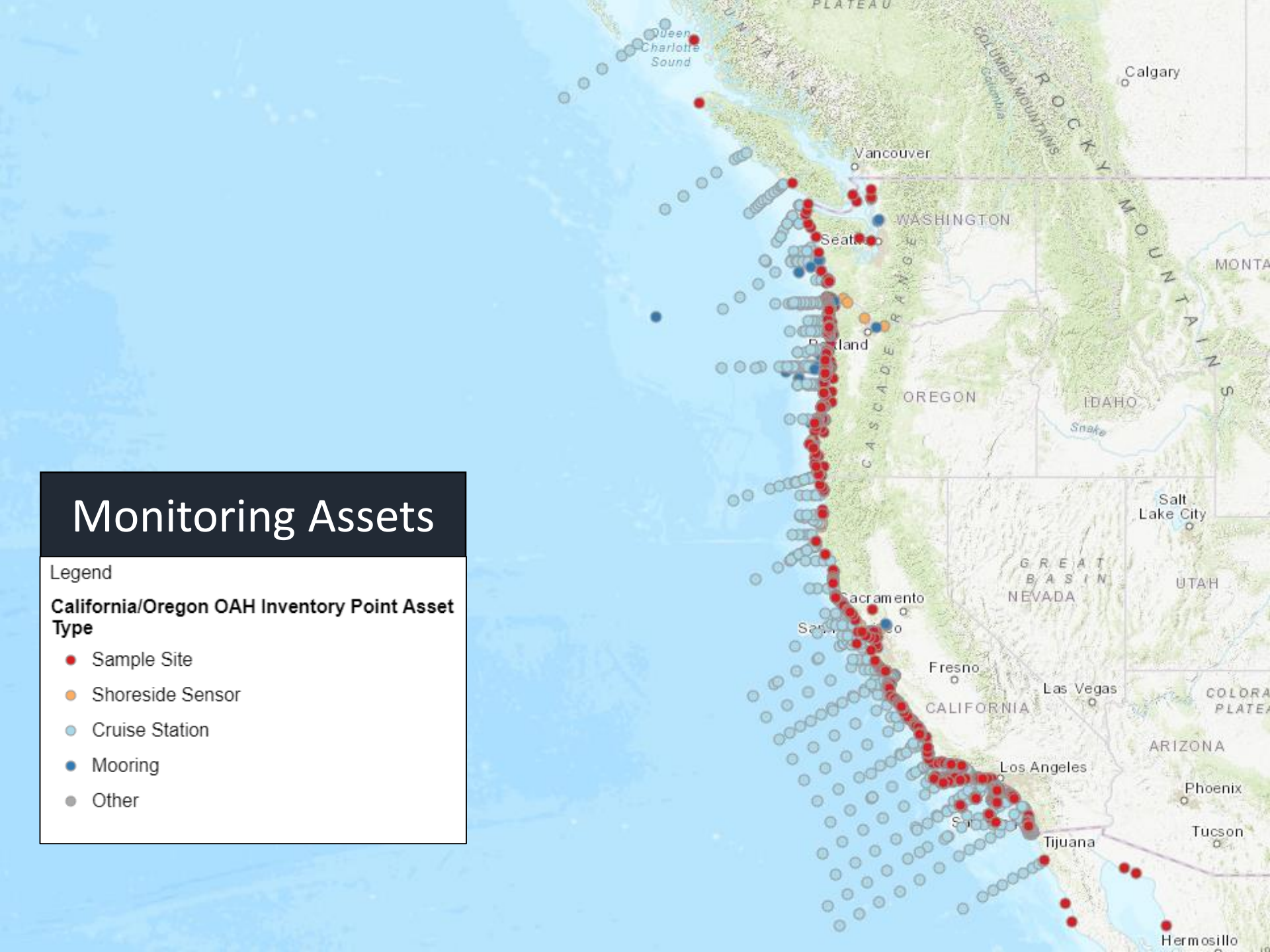
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California/Oregon OAH Inventory Point Asset Type
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Shoreside Sensor
Cruise Station
Mooring
Other
Queen Charlotte Sound
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OREGON
IDAHO
NEVADA
UTAH
CALIFORNIA
ARIZONA
Sacramento
Fresno
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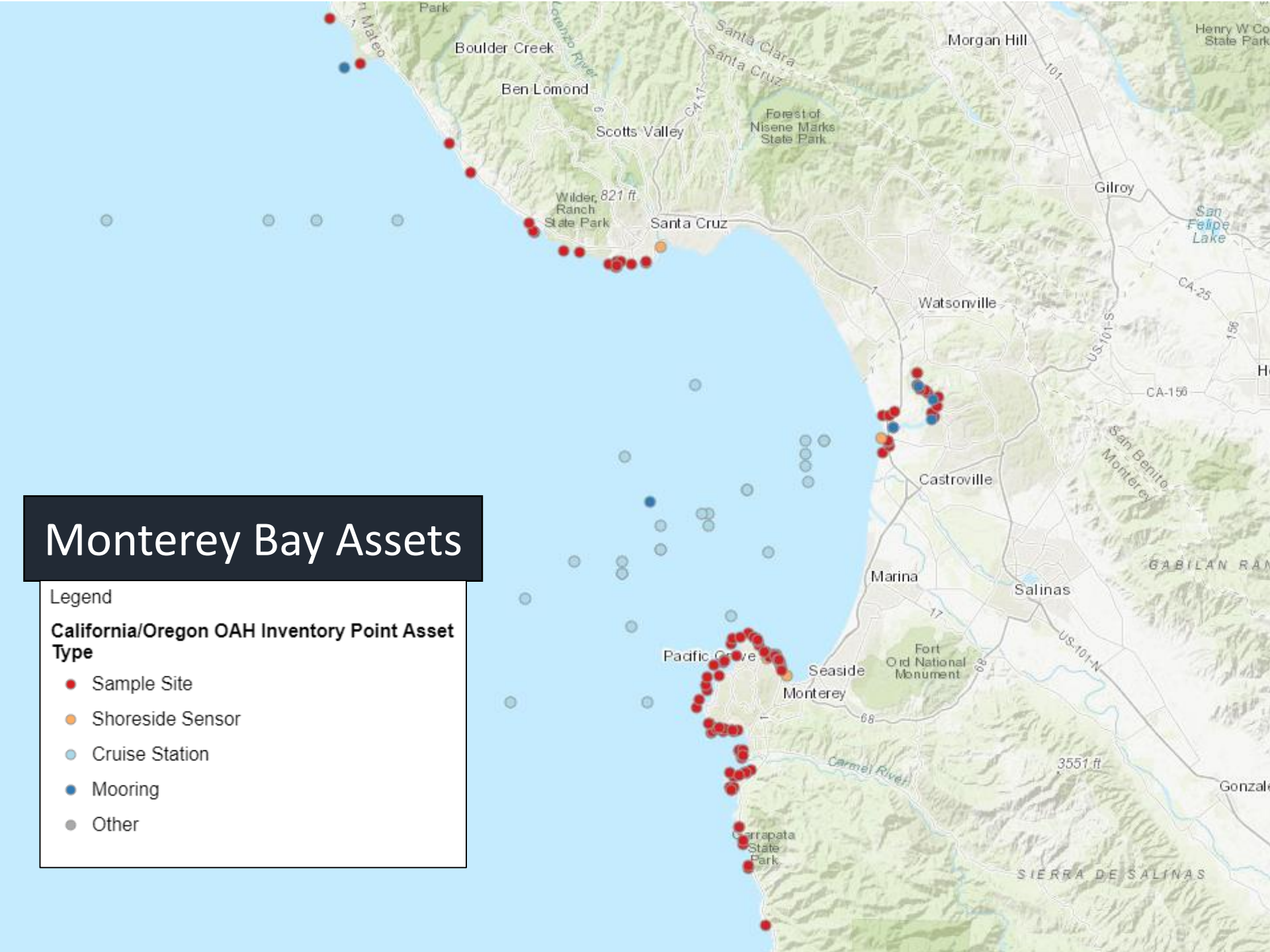
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Santa Cruz
Morgan Hill
Gilroy
Watsonville
Castroville
Marina
Salinas
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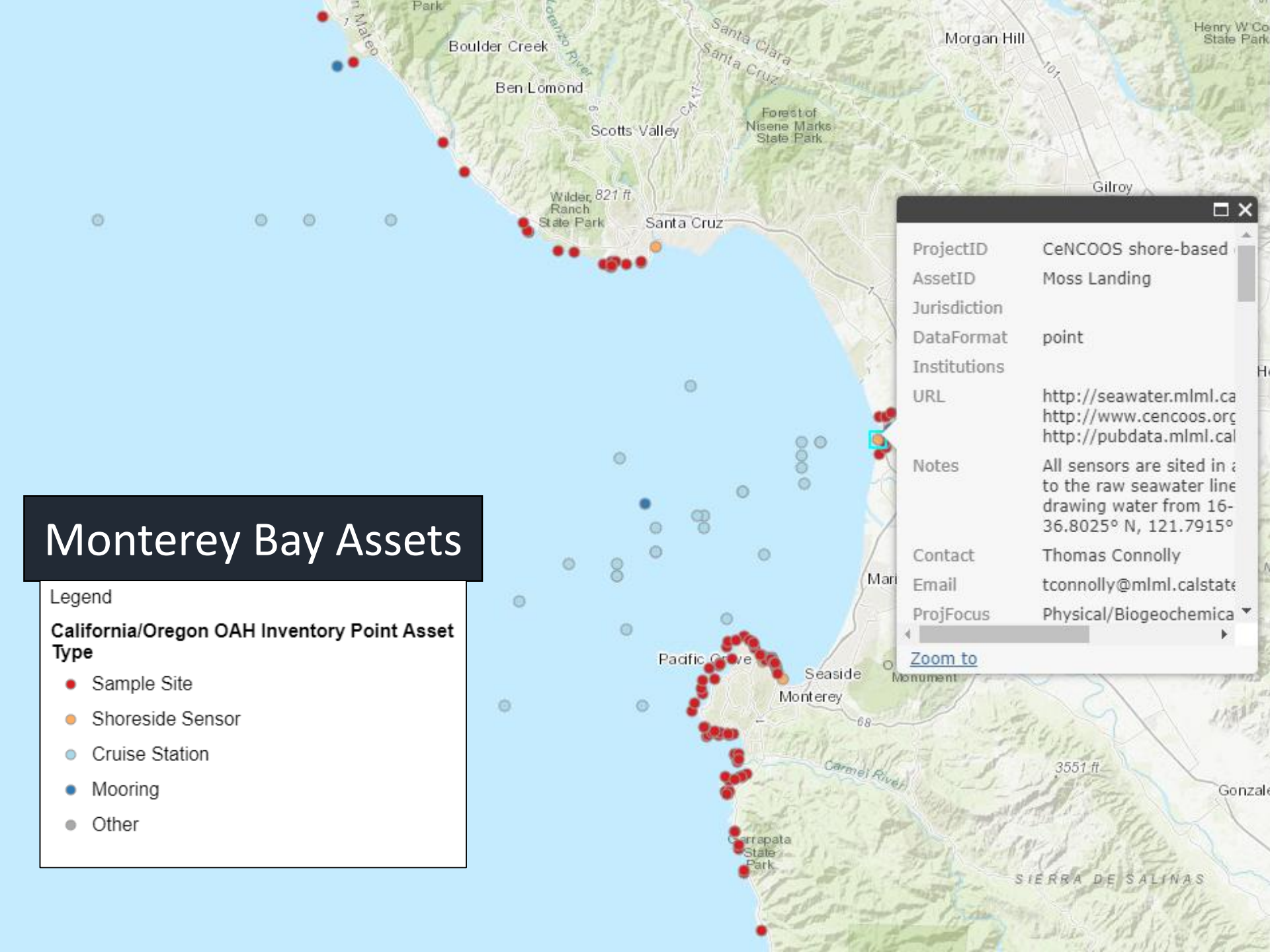
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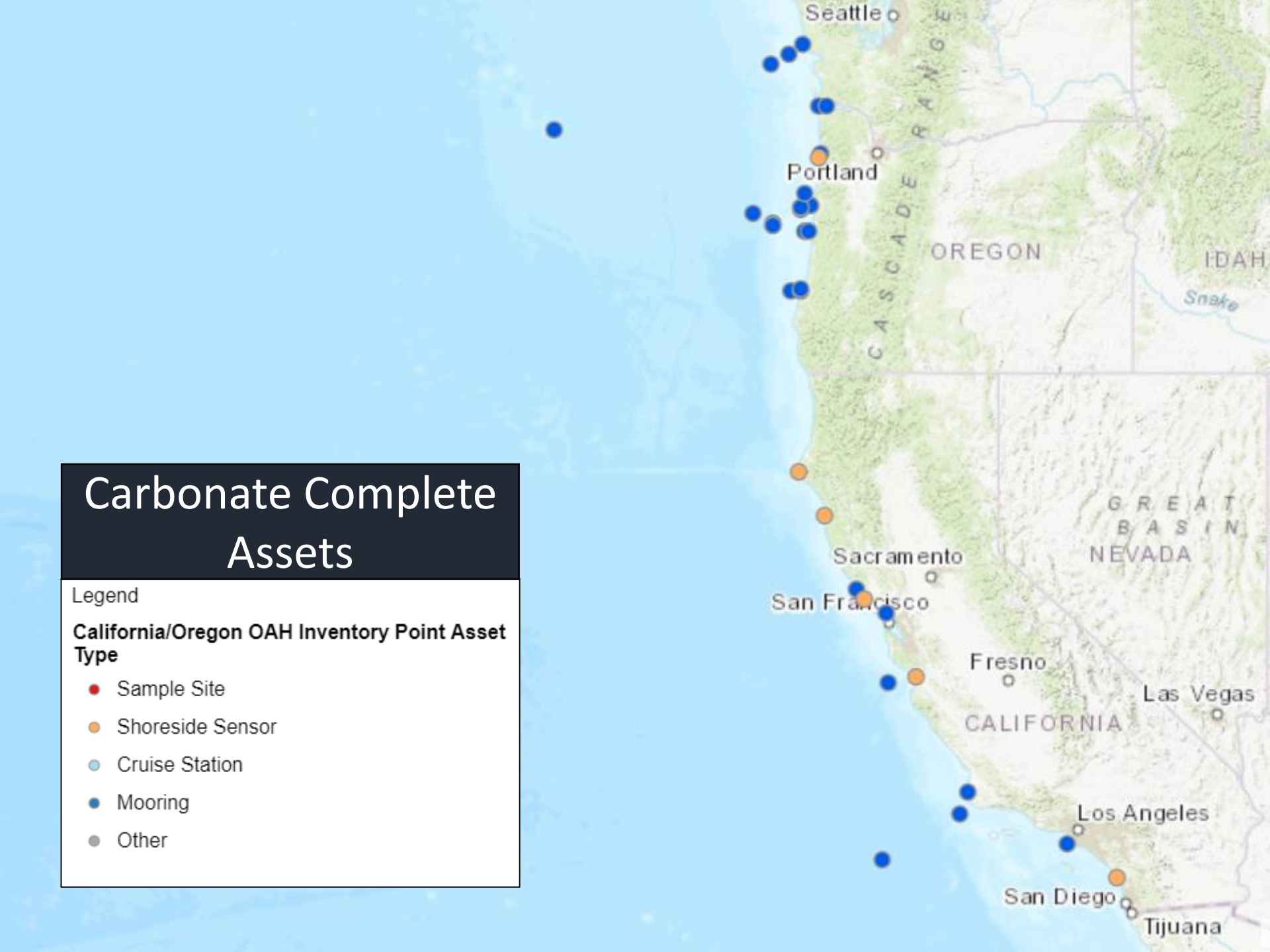

Carbonate Complete Assets

Legend

California/Oregon OAH Inventory Point Asset Type

- Sample Site
- Shoreside Sensor
- Cruise Station
- Mooring
- Other

West Coast OAH Monitoring Inventory

Next steps

- Incorporate additional monitoring information from WA, AK, and BC
- Work with partners to host this information online
- Lead federal/state discussion to define gaps and opportunities

Outcomes of inventory will help OPC prioritize monitoring gaps and funding decisions

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Monitoring OAH in MPAs

International Agreements

OA ALLIANCE International Alliance to **Combat Ocean Acidification**

Alliance brings together jurisdictions to highlight ocean acidification as a threat to coastal economies and ocean ecosystems in their region, and consider solutions

- Members include: countries, states, provinces, counties, cities, Tribes and First Nations, universities, nongovernmental organizations, industry associations, businesses and other parties

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3. Recommendations for further actions

1. Action item today to approve funding for California's Ocean Acidification Action Plan
2. Come back at future meetings (starting with April 2018) with additional actions and funding requests
3. Bolster support to state and federal agencies to assist in how they consider ocean acidification in their management and regulatory practices

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