

## Comment on Agenda Item #8 - Aug 15 OPC Meeting

Natalie Bartel <natalie.bartel@coastal-quest.org>

Mon 8/14/2023 12:03 PM

To:CNRA COPC Public <COCPublic@resources.ca.gov>;Tegan Hoffmann <tegan@coastal-quest.org>

**Coastal Quest would like to comment on the section titled “Exploring the Role of Other Spatial Management Measures in California’s Coastal Waters”.** This section notes that “OPC is developing a centralized inventory and map of spatial management measures in state waters.” Our organization Coastal Quest, a service-oriented non-profit that works with communities and governments to build more resilient coasts, has developed a pilot tool for the Central Coast in collaboration with the Regional and California State Water Boards, that similar to the OPC effort, is an inventory on spatial management measures, biodiversity and water quality data. We presented this tool to the MPA Statewide Leadership team a few months ago, and it is now ready to go live, the Coastal Quest and Water Board team are just trying to decide where to host it and who will maintain it. We have had discussions about scaling our tool across the state and have a manual that documents the approach and data sources needed to replicate the GIS database along the entire coast of California. We would welcome a meeting with OPC to find ways to leverage our pilot work to support your exciting efforts and continue the conversation around this item. Thank you.

**Natalie Bartel**

**Project Manager**

**Coastal Quest**

**Email:** [natalie.bartel@coastal-quest.org](mailto:natalie.bartel@coastal-quest.org)

**Cell:** 818.274.4782

**[www.coastal-quest.org](http://www.coastal-quest.org)**

