



## OPC Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

**1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Hybrid Meeting**

California Natural Resources Agency Headquarters Auditorium  
715 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814

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**1. Welcome, Introductions, and Council Member Updates**

*Secretary Crowfoot, Council Chair*

**2. Update from Executive Director**

*Jenn Eckerle, Executive Director*

**3. Update from the Science Advisor**

*Liz Whiteman, Ph.D., Executive Director, Ocean Science Trust*

## Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 1: Safeguard Coastal and Marine Ecosystems and Communities in the Face of Climate Change

**4. Action Item: Consideration and Approval for Disbursement of Funds related to Coastal Resilience: Development of the California Beach Resiliency Plan**

(Strategic Plan Objective 1.1: Build Resiliency to Sea-Level Rise, Coastal Storms, Erosion, and Flooding)

*Ella McDougall, Climate Change Program Manager*

## Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Equity Across Ocean and Coastal Policies and Actions

**5. Action Item: Consideration and Approval for Disbursement of Funds to Establish a Pilot Ocean Corps Program** (Strategic Plan Objective 2.2: Enhance Engagement with Underserved Communities; Objective 2.3: Improve Coastal Access)

*Maria Rodriguez, Climate and Environmental Justice Program Manager*

## Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 3: Enhance Coastal and Marine Biodiversity

**6. Action Item: Consideration and Approval for Disbursement of Funds for the Southern Los Cerritos Wetland Restoration Project** (Strategic Plan Objective 3.1: Protect and Restore Coastal and Marine Ecosystems)

*Maria Rodriguez, Climate and Environmental Justice Program Manager*

**7. Action Item: Consideration and Approval for Disbursement of Funds for 2024-2026 Marine Protected Areas (MPA) Monitoring** (Strategic Plan Objective 3.1: Protect and Restore Coastal and Marine Ecosystems)

*Michael Esgro, Senior Biodiversity Program Manager and Tribal Liaison*

**8. Information and Action Items: Related to Kelp Research and Restoration** (Strategic Plan Objective 3.2: Restore and Protect Kelp Ecosystems)

**8a. Information Item: Update on Implementation of OPC's Kelp Action Plan**

*Katie Cieri, California Sea Grant Fellow*

**8b. Action Item: Consideration and Approval for Disbursement of Funds Related to Kelp Research and Restoration**

*Pike Spector, Biodiversity Program Manager*

## Advancing Strategic Plan Goals 1: Safeguard Coastal and Marine Ecosystems and Communities in the Face of Climate Change; 2: Advance Equity Across Ocean and Coastal Policies and Actions; 3: Enhance Coastal and Marine Biodiversity; 4: Support Ocean Health Through a Sustainable Blue Economy

### 9. Action Item: Consideration and Approval for Disbursement of Funds to the Ocean Science Trust: Science Advisor

*Justine Kimball, Ph.D., Senior Climate Change Program Manager*

## Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 4: Support Ocean Health Through a Sustainable Blue Economy

### 10. Consent Item: Consideration and Approval for Disbursement of Funds to Augment Offshore Wind Environmental Monitoring Guidance Development (Strategic Plan Objective 4.4: Guide Sustainable Renewable Energy Projects)

*Yi-Hui Wang, Ph.D., Offshore Wind Program Manager*

### 11. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

### 12. Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment

Thursday, February 29, 2024 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
CNRA Auditorium and Zoom participation available.

**Notes:** Agenda items may be re-ordered at the discretion of the Council Chair.

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**Oral Comments:** For each item on the agenda and at the end of the public meeting on non-agenda items, the OPC Chair will ask whether there are any requests for public comment. If you are participating via Zoom and want to provide oral comments on a specific agenda item, you will need to "[Raise your hand](#)" during the Zoom meeting. \* **If calling into the meeting from a telephone, you can use "Pound (#) 2" to raise/lower your hand.**

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