



OPC Meeting Agenda

Monday, March 3, 2025

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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This is a hybrid meeting. Councilmembers Megan Rocha and Assembly Member Dawn Addis are scheduled to participate remotely, consistent with Government Code section 11123.5.

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Council Member Updates

Secretary Crowfoot, Council Chair

2. Update from Executive Director

Jenn Eckerle, Executive Director

**Kaitlyn Kalua, Deputy Director may present in place of Executive Director Jenn Eckerle*

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. Informational Item: 2024 Annual Report & California Coast and Ocean Report Card

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

Jill Harris, Ph.D., Ocean Science Trust

5. Action Item: Consideration and Approval of Disbursement of Funds for Senate Bill 1 Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program

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

Megan Williams, Coastal Resilience Program Manager

6. Action Item: Consideration and Adoption of a Resolution Regarding Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia

(Strategic Plan Objective 1.2: Minimize Causes and Impacts of Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia)

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

7. Informational Item: Marine Carbon Dioxide Removal Considerations for California

(Strategic Plan Objective 1.3: Improve Understanding of Climate Impacts on California's Coast and Ocean)

Sreeja Gopal, Ph.D., Coastal Habitats Program Manager

Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 3: Enhance Coastal and Marine Biodiversity

8. Action Item: Consideration and Approval of Disbursement of Funds to Advance Management of California's Marine Protected Area Network

(Strategic Plan Objective 3.1: Protect and Restore Coastal and Marine Ecosystems)

Staci Lewis, Ph.D., Marine Protected Areas Network Manager

9. Action Item: Consideration and Approval of Disbursement of Funds to Advance Climate-Ready Fisheries Management

(Strategic Plan Objective 3.3 Support Sustainable Marine Fisheries and Thriving Fish and Wildlife Populations; Objective 4.1: Advance Sustainable Seafood and Thriving Fishing Communities)

Katie Cieri, Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture Program Manager

10. Consent Item: Consideration and Approval to Augment Funds for the Ocean Science Trust Science Advisor Grant

Michael Esgro, Senior Biodiversity Program Manager & Tribal Liaison

11. Consent Item: Consideration and Approval to Augment Funds to the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project for Post-Wildfire Monitoring in Los Angeles County
Michael Esgro, Senior Biodiversity Program Manager & Tribal Liaison

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items & Meeting Close

12. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

13. Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment

Tuesday, June 10, 2025 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.

Providing Public Comment

Written Comments: Written comments should be sent to COPCpublic@resources.ca.gov by 12:00 p.m. on February 28, 2025. Please include the item number in the email subject line. If you are writing with a general comment, please include a brief title for your comment.

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.**

Once your hand is raised and it is your turn to speak, the meeting facilitator will unmute you and will announce your name. You will then be able to make your public comment to the Council.

*** Depending on how you have called in, you may also need to unmute yourself.**

A speaker’s time allotment for a specific agenda item is at the discretion of the Chair, but generally limited to two minutes. It is strongly recommended, though not required, that public comment be submitted in writing beforehand to be distributed to all Council members for review prior to the meeting. After your public comment, your hand will be lowered, and you will be placed back on mute.

Questions about the meeting or agenda can be directed to Kaitlyn Kalua, Deputy Director at Kaitlyn.Kalua@resources.ca.gov.

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