California Coastal National Monument
Rocks, Ecosystems, Partners, & Gateways:
The Components for the Implementation of the
California Coastal National Monument

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM)

- Nation’s largest land managing agency
- Responsible for more than 245 million acres of public lands primarily in 12 western states and Alaska (1/8th of the land in the U.S.)
- Also manages 700 acres of Federal subsurface minerals estate

The “true multiple use manager” including:
- Energy & minerals
- Lands & realty
- Cadastral survey & federal land records
- Livestock grazing
- Forestry
- Air, water & soils
- Fish & wildlife habitat
- Wild horse & burro herds
- Cultural & Paleontological resources
- Recreation & visitor services
- National Landscape Conservation System
- Fire & aviation
- Geographic information systems
- Law enforcement
- Planning & environmental coordination
NATIONAL LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION SYSTEM

- Encompassing about 10% of BLM’s land base (more than 27 million acres)

- Currently consists of 887 units created by Congress (except for 15 national monuments created by Presidential Proclamation):
  - 17 National Monuments
  - 16 National Conservation Areas (NCA)
  - 6 similar NCA designations
  - 221 Wilderness Areas
  - 545 Wilderness Study Areas
  - 69 National Wild & Scenic Rivers
  - 11 National Historic Trails
  - 5 National Scenic Trails

Reflecting a more recent understanding that, to truly conserve places with unique natural & cultural values, we must protect the larger landscapes.
California Coastal National Monument

BLM’s Most Unique National Monument!

A Unique Partnership in Protecting California Coastal Resources
More than 20,000 ROCKS!
California Coastal National Monument

Established by Presidential Proclamation on January 11, 2000
CALIFORNIA COASTAL NATIONAL MONUMENT

“...for the purpose of protecting...all unappropriated or unreserved ... islands, rocks, exposed reefs, & pinnacles above mean high tide within 12 nautical miles of the shoreline of the State of California.”

Presidential Proclamation, 1/11/00
CCNM Planning Area: The Coastal Zone, as defined by the California Coastal Commission, as well as the area extending 12 nautical miles offshore of the California coast. This is the area in which BLM will conduct planning activities for the CCNM.

CCNM Corridor: Also referred to as the “monument corridor.” This is the area in which the rocks and islands that make up the monument are found. It is the area extending 12 nautical miles offshore of the California coast.

CCNMs: ( ) All unappropriated or unreserved lands and interest in the lands owned or controlled by the United States in the form of islands, rocks, exposed reefs, and peninsulas above mean high tide within 12 nautical miles of the shoreline of the State of California. These lands are scattered throughout the CCNM corridor area.
“...geologic formations that provide unique habitat for biota”

&

“...irreplaceable scientific values vital to protecting the fragile ecosystems of the California coastline.”
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CALIFORNIA COASTAL NATIONAL MONUMENT

• More than 20,000 rocks & small islands

• Spread along California’s 1,100 miles of coastline

• Encompassed within a 14,600 square nautical mile area (CCNM Corridor)

• Totaling only about 1,000 acres

• All off-shore (no on-shore portion)

• Cuts across 5 BLM Field Offices

• Adjoins & intertwined with dozens of different jurisdictions, from one end of the California coast to the other
CCNM, CCNM Corridor, & CCNM Planning Area

For the purposes of the EIP, three categories have been developed to describe the CCNM:

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Notes:
1) Only rocks and islands above mean high tide—not the entire nearshore ocean zone—are under BLM management.
2) While the Channel Islands themselves are not part of the CCNM, the rocks and islands off the coast of the Channel Islands are part of the CCNM.

![CCNM Relative Location of Rocks, Islands, and Pinnacles](image)
What is the basic management framework for the CCNM?
CCNM Major Aspects & Focus

PRESERVATION
(Management Focus)
Protection
Research
Education
Planning
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- Core-Managing Partners
- Collaborative Partners
- Stewards
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is PARTNERSHIPS

**Core-Managing Partners**
- USDI Bureau of Land Management
- California Department of Fish & Game
- California State Parks

**Collaborative Partners**
- NOAA Mont. Bay Nat’l Marine Sanctuary
- PRBO Conservation Science
- Recreational Fishing Alliance
- NOAA Nat’l Marine Protected Areas Center
- Trinidad Museum Society
- City of Point Arena
- City of Trinidad
- Tsurai Ancestral Society
- Point Arena Lighthouse Keepers
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- Humboldt State University Marine Laboratory
- Pacifica Chamber of Commerce
- U.S. Coast Guard
- Mendocino Coast Audubon Society
- Coastwalk California
- Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy
- Redwood Region Audubon Society
- Mendocino County Historical Society
- City of Rancho Palos Verdes
- Moat Creek Managing Agency
- Humboldt North Coast Land Trust
- Del Norte Historical Society
- Redwood Coast Chamber of Commerce
- Point Arena Merchants Association
- Mendocino Study Club
- Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History
- Stewards of the Coast & Redwoods
- Laguna Ocean Foundation
- Mendocino Land Trust
- Mendocino Area Parks Association
- Mendocino Coast Chamber of Commerce
- Native Daughters of the Golden West, Fort Bragg Parlor
- Visit Mendocino County, Inc.
- City of Fort Bragg
- Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens
- Caspar Community
- Point Cabrillo Lightkeepers Association
- Fort Bragg-Mendocino Coast Historical Society
- Cabrillo Marine Aquarium (City of Los Angeles)
- Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History

**Stewards**
- U.S. Air Force
- Trinidad Rancheria (a federally recognized tribe)
- The Sea Ranch Association
- Yurok Tribe (a federally recognized tribe)
- U.S. Navy
- Save the Redwoods League
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- Gateway Communities
- Local Stewardship
- Local Involvement
What are the RMP Implementation Priorities?
CCNM RMP Implementation Priorities

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**Site Characterization**
California Coastal National Monument Gateways:

- Are sections of the California coast that serve as focal points & visitor contact locations for the Monument

- Can be areas, towns, cities, or communities that have infrastructure & interest in providing visitor information & service

- Follow the principles of “geotourism” [tourism that sustains or enhances the geographical character of a place, including its environment, culture, aesthetics, heritage, and the well-being of its residents.] & use a set of CCNM Gateway Geotourism Approach & Principles as the guiding principles for the development and implementation of the CCNM Gateways

- Support organized local stewardship for coastline regions through the development of a consortium of the area’s resource managers & advocates

- Respond to a local sense of place for this unique & extensive monument

- Feature strongly in BLM outreach & community relationships
Area encompassing the CCNM (CCNM) Corridor

CCNM Gateways

- Palos Verdes Peninsula
- Pigeon Point
- Point Arena
- Trinidad/Eureka
- Piedras Blancas/San Simeon
- Los Angeles
- San Diego
Area encompassing the CCNM

CCNM GATEWAYS

- Trinidad
- Eureka
- Fort Bragg/Mendocino
- Elk
- Point Arena
- Sonoma Coast
- San Francisco
- Pigeon Point
- Monterey Peninsula
- Big Sur
- Piedras Blancas/San Simeon
- Lost Coast/Shelter Cove
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SEABIRD CONSERVATION
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**CCNM Gateways**
CALIFORNIA COASTAL NATIONAL MONUMENT (CCNM) CORRIDOR

Area encompassing the CCNM

- islands, rocks, pinnacles and reefs
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TIDEPOOL CONNECTION
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**CCNM Gateways**
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“Rocks & Islands Button Up the Coast”

Independent Coast Observer, 8/30/02
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- Model Participatory Governance
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“Think Coastal, Act Local”
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- Model Participatory Governance
- Catalyst for Fostering Stewardship
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- California’s “Eleventh Bioregion”
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“A unique partnership in protecting California coastal resources”
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A spectacular interplay of land and sea

- An amazing diversity of more than 20,000 rocks and small islands
- Home for thousands of seals and sea lions
- Haven for hundreds of thousands of seabirds
- Habitat for millions of upper rocky intertidal animals
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Partners

Legend
- Existing Gateway
- Future Gateway
- Cities/Towns
- Location of major grouping of rocks, islands, pinnacles, and exposed reefs
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Communities → Places

The Gateways:
- Provide a sense of place
- Serve as visitor contact locations
- Promote community involvement
- Link with local initiatives & stewardship
- Encourage environmental education & conservation
- Create partnerships in protecting coastal resources

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Places

- BLM coastal properties
- State parks
- State refuges
- State marine protected areas
- Light houses & light stations
- Historic ports
- Cultural or historical sites
- Museums
- Aquariums
- Trails
- Recreational sites
- Public access sites
- Other interpretive sites
NATIONAL LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION SYSTEM

- Encompassing about 15% of BLM’s land base (more than 42 million acres)
- 15 National Conservation Areas
  - [CA: 3 NCAs – BLM’s 1st-KRNCA; largest-CDCA; & 1 in NV-Black Rock Desert-High Rock Cyn. Emigrant Trails NCA]
- 15 National Monuments
  - [CA: 3 NMs – including the only on est. by Congress, SJM-SRMNM, plus Carrizo Plains & California Coastal]
- 148 Wilderness Areas
  - [CA: 79 WAs]
- 604 Wilderness Study Areas
  - [CA: 80 WSAs]
- 9 National Historic Trails (2,056 miles)
  - [CA: 3 NHTs – DeAnza, Calif., Old Spanish (502 miles)]
- 2 National Scenic Trails (641 miles)
  - [CA: 1 NST – Pacific Crest Trail (180 miles)]
- 38 Wild & Scenic Rivers (2,052 miles)
  - [CA: 6 W&SRs – Eel, Klamath, Trinity, Merced, N. fork American, Tuolumne (71 miles)]
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