

California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative Blue Ribbon Task Force

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To: MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force
From: John Kirlin, Executive Director
Subject: Request to authorize expenditure of funds
Date: November 20, 2006

This memo requests an authorization to spend funds related to monitoring and adaptive management.

Assistance in design of effective monitoring and adaptive management programs

As detailed in my administrative report, the initiative is supporting two main activities in this area: (1) MLPA Baseline Science-Management Panel development of priority listing of baseline data collection projects and (2) drafting of long-term monitoring plan.

The products of these two efforts will inform an RFP process to fund specific projects. Further consultation with scientists is needed to refine the research design for baseline data collection and long term monitoring. These consultations will take place in the next weeks, with an anticipated completion in February 2007. The requested funds will support consultant time to organize and facilitate any face-to-face meetings, conference calls or individual conversations. Consultants may also help draft and revise written work products.

Request: Authorize spending up to an additional \$25,000

