

Subtidal and Intertidal Habitat Goals for Humboldt Bay and the Eel River Estuary

Advisory Team Meeting Notes

October 2, 2008, 1:30 to 4:30 pm, Eureka Sea Grant Office

I. In Attendance: Diane Ashton (NOAA Fisheries), Steve Cannata (DFG), Annie Eicher (California Sea Grant Extension), Vicki Frey (DFG), Bill Pinnix (FWS), Kirsten Ramey (DFG), Susan Schlosser (California Sea Grant Extension), Adam Wagschal (Humboldt Bay Harbor District).

II. Conservation Action Planning (CAP) Step 4: Identify Critical Threats

Overview of Methodology:

A. Identify Stresses and Threats

1. Stresses: impaired aspects of conservation targets that result from human activities; generally equivalent to degraded key ecological attributes
2. Threats (Sources of Stress): Activities or processes that cause degradation or impairment of focal conservation targets
3. Critical Threats: Threats that are the most problematic

D. Rank Threats

1. Contribution: expected contribution, considered alone, of a threat to a particular stress under existing management situation (Very High, High, Medium, Low)
2. Irreversibility: the degree to which the threat can be reversed (Very High, High, Medium, Low)

III. Stresses and Threats for Target: Water Column

A. Stresses and Threats were identified for the Water Column Target. An updated CAP spreadsheet has been posted to collaborative tools for group editing (access under "Files," Version 6)

IV. MEETING SCHEDULE:

Thursday, October 16, 1:30-4:30, Sea Grant Office

Thursday, November 6, 1:30-4:30, Sea Grant Office

Thursday, November 20, 1:30-4:30, Sea Grant Office

Note: Thursday, October 30, 8:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.: Aquatic Invasive Species Workshop, Wharfinger Building