



Abalone Recovery and Management Plan: Review and Revision



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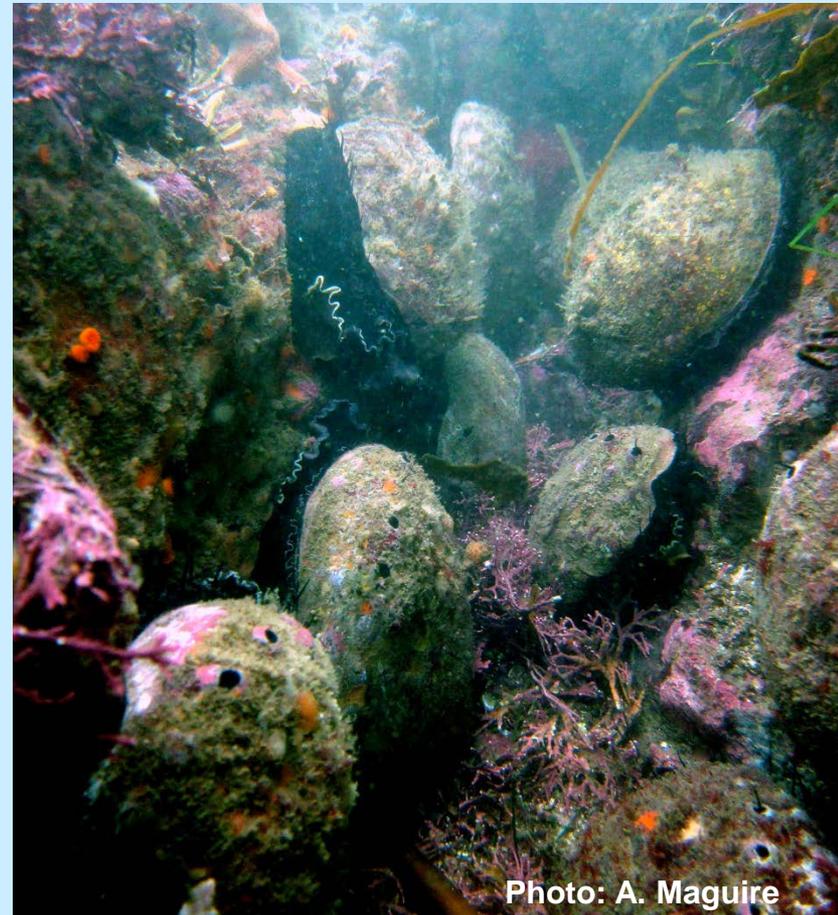
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Presentation Overview

- Need for ARMP review and revision
- Process options for ARMP revision
- Timeline





ARMP Review and Revision

- Technical Review
- ARMP is flexible and adaptable
- Long Term Management
- Amendment vs update
 - ARMP section 4.4 describes when and what processes for amending or updating the plan
- Consider type of ARMP process used to implement the long term management



ARMP Revision Options

- ARMP update
- ARMP amendment
- Develop separate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) with minimal ARMP update



ARMP Update

- Used if maintaining current ARMP management scope
- Update existing ARMP with Long term plan implementation details
- Process would take at least two years



ARMP Amendment

- Only used for changing management scope of ARMP
- Requires similar process for adopting ARMP
- Process is lengthy (approx. 3-4 years?)



FMP/ARMP

- Maintain current ARMP management scope
- Develop separate FMP for red abalone under guidance of ARMP
- Move red abalone fishery management formally under MLMA
- Approximately three years to complete process
- MR recommendation



Long Term Plan Needs

- Identify long term plan costs and resources
- Determine resources and funding sources
- Implement with the long term plan



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ARMP Recovery

- Recovery and management complimentary processes in ARMP
- Need to consider recovery plan adjustments in selecting a revision option



ARMP Revision Timeframe

TIMELINE	ACTIONS
Spring 2014	Technical review and interim and long term plan evaluations; Public scoping of long term plan elements
Summer 2014	Long term plan evaluation report and cost development
Fall/Spring 2014/15	ARMP clean up/FMP development; CEQA
Summer 2015	Peer/public/RAAC review of draft updated ARMP/FMP
Fall/Spring 2015/16	Commission adoption process for FMP and ARMP clean up approval, CEQA, Fishery regulations, Fee adjustments
Spring 2017	Long term fishery management implementation



Summary

- ARMP review and revision is needed
- Alternative processes to revise ARMP
- Consider recovery plan changes
- Process completion time frame: 2-4 years
- MR recommends FMP/ARMP option



Thank You



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