



Red Abalone Fishery Management Plan Update



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Presentation Overview

- Angler survey update
- Preliminary survey results
- Next steps
 - Complete survey
 - Draft the FMP management goals
 - Early scientific input on FMP goals



Survey Development

- Survey Development
 - Survey design
 - Draft survey questions
 - Recreational Abalone Advisory Committee and Constituent focus group input
- Survey content
- Survey time is one month
 - February 6 to March 6

www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Invertebrates/Abalone/Survey



Preliminary Survey Results

- 664 respondents as of February 18
 - 200 received post card (30%): 13% return rate
- 88% divers, 9% rock pickers, 3% no ID
 - Post card: 84% divers; 14% rock pickers; 2% no ID
- 2013 comparison: 78% divers, 22% rock pickers



Survey Demographics

North Coast

Overall: 34%

Dive: 33%

Rock: 45%

Bay Area

Overall: 34%

Dive: 35%

Rock: 28%

Central Coast

Overall: 3%

Dive: 3%

Rock: 3%

North

Overall: 8%

Dive: 7%

Rock: 8%

Central Valley

Overall: 16%

Dive: 16%

Rock: 16%

South

Overall: 5%

Dive: 6%

Rock: 0





Next Steps: Angler Survey

- Complete the survey on March 6
- Begin summarizing and analyzing data
- Post survey summary on FMP website



FMP Process Next Steps

- Management goals and framework
 - Draft management goals based on survey information
 - Develop initial management framework
- Early scientific input
 - Seek scientific input on draft management framework
 - Possible workshop with invited scientists



Thank You



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ARMP: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/marine/armp/index.asp>