

**CHAPTER 5: OCEAN MANAGEMENT
ISSUE ANALYSES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The California Ocean Resources Management Program mission and goals described in this Agenda provide a vision and overall direction for managing California's ocean resources. This chapter addresses specific ocean management issues that face the State of California now, or are likely to in the reasonably foreseeable future. Each subchapter provides background information, an issues discussion, policy findings, and recommendations for addressing the identified issues. Some recommendations could be implemented immediately, with no alterations in governance structure, while others may require new legislation or administrative restructuring. The recommendations could also be achieved through a mix of government, private sector, or public/private partnership arrangements but, in all cases, can only be achieved through cooperative efforts and understanding among the diverse group of stakeholders in ocean resource management. Chapter 6 suggests an integrated approach to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of California's current system of ocean management, and to help resolve many of the ocean management issues described in this chapter.

The first three subchapters address natural processes and some uses that affect these processes:

- A. Habitats and Living Resources
- B. Water Quality
- C. Shoreline Erosion

The remaining six subchapters address specific issues which that ocean resources or their management:

- D. Ports and Harbors
- E. Oil, Gas and Other Mineral Resource Extraction
- F. Vessel Traffic Safety
- G. Tourism and Recreation
- H. Education, Research and Technology
- I. Desalination - Producing Potable Water