

Representative Sample of California-based Stewardship Collaboratives, Mostly Involving State Parks - \*\*Does Not Included All Ca-based Land- and Seascape Collaboratives

Current as of: 3/30/26

COLLABORATIVE				COLLABORATIVE DESIGN					CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS (ENGAGEMENT)				GEOGRAPHY	COORDINATION CAPACITY	DECISION-MAKING STRUCTURE (Type and formality)	FUNDING MODEL	STRATEGY & VISION (DOCUMENTS)	AGREEMENTS & AUTHORITIES	TRACKING & EVALUATION	WEBSITE	
NAME	YEAR EST.	STATUS	LIFE CYCLE PHASE	PURPOSE/GOAL(S)	PRIMARY FUNCTION(S)	GOVERNANCE PROCESS(ES)	STRUCTURE	PRIMARY COMPOSITION	STATUS	PARTICIPATING DISTRICT(S)	STAFF LEAD	ROLE(S)									
Central California Coast Joint Venture (C3JV)	2020	ACTIVE	Building	To work through inclusive partnerships advancing strategies that steward healthy and resilient habitats for birds, other wildlife and people. Have a mandate to do bird conservation.	Capacity Building, Active Land/Water Stewardship, Science/Research, Land Management	Congressional enabling legislation set up the JV. Work is guided by an implementation plan with focal pathways that have turned into core pillars. There are conservation targets, focus on specific bird species, and Indigenous and community goals.	Cross-jurisdictional, multi-agency. Fairly formal as it is a structure that comes from enabling legislation from Congress. Managing board, coordinator, committees, including an executive committee that is a subset of the management board.	Agencies (fed, state, local), NGOs, Tribe, academia	ACTIVE	Monterey District	Superintendent	Management Board member	Central Coast; also plan for/consider the ocean as it relates to that region.	NGO - American Bird Conservancy (fiscal sponsor)	Management Board is the formal decision-making body; committees drive decision making on the core pillars.	Congress appropriates money for the JV each year through the DOI budget under USFWS migratory bird program. However, this JV does not get any appropriation and is solely supported by fundraising.	Implementation plan, which is informed by other plans like CWAP, species of special concern, etc.	Bylaws and the implementation plan for operating the JV. Implementation plan was reviewed by national committees that guide USFWS policy. Cooperating agreements with funding agencies. An MOU-like agreement with two neighboring JVs to agree on overlapping collaborative space. Nothing formal with CA State Parks.	JVs are required to report to Dept of Interior and Annual Accomplishments Report, though C3JV is not funded through Dept of Interior, so is not currently doing this. Tracking and evaluation are based on individual grant deliverables, and Annual Reporting to C3JV Management Board.	<a href="https://www.c3jv.org/">https://www.c3jv.org/</a>	
Catalina MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To act as grassroots stewards of Catalina's marine protected areas through engagement of local stakeholders and island visitors.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN).	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Catalina Island	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.						<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/#?id=64">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/#?id=64</a>
Del Norte MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To engage diverse communities in support of MPAs and the resources they provide from Pelican Beach to Shoter Cove.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN).	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	North Coast Redwoods District	MPA Interpreter; Chief Ranger	Potential Co-Chair	Del Norte County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.						<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/delnorte/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/delnorte/</a>
East Bay Stewardship Network	2024	ACTIVE	Forming Building	To collaboratively increase ecological health and climate adaptability, build broader public and political support, plus increased efficiencies for landscape stewardship projects.	Active Land/Water Stewardship, Information and Learning Exchange, Capacity Building, Science and Research and LandM	Charter under development. Guided by topic-specific regional strategies.	Multi-party collaborative, centralized hub, focused scope. Steering Committee and work groups.	Natural resources-based stewardship practitioners (e.g. land management agencies and orgs, private lands owners, Tribes, etc.) w/in the East SF Bay, plus organizations that support stewardship work.	ACTIVE	Diablo Range District and NRD	NRD Program Manager and Environmental Scientists	Steering Committee, Work groups, and SharePoint/data hub	Area of Focus: boundaries of Contra Costa and Alameda Counties and into adjacent areas w/in Santa Clara and San Joaquin Counties	NGO - John Muir Land Trust hires staff and contractors, supports fundraising, accounting, contract management)	Consensus-based. Larger decisions, such as approval of charter/agreements require consensus from all members.	Currently relies on philanthropy and member contributions.	Ecological Health Assessment. Currently developing larger strategy and annual workplan	No over-arching agreement. Various land management/use agreements btwn some partners		<a href="https://eastbaystewardship.org/">https://eastbaystewardship.org/</a>	
Giant Sequoia Lands Coalition	2021	ACTIVE	Building Sustaining	To accelerate and sustain the protection, stewardship and long-term persistence of giant sequoias and their ecosystems for current and future generations.	Active Land/Water Stewardship, Information and Learning Exchange, Education, Science and Research and Land Management	Guided by vulnerability assessment and grove treatment strategy; Coalition charter w/ science-based tenets, 3-yr strategic direction, and annual workplan.	Multi-party collaborative. Branded, centralized hub, focused scope. Exec. Steering and topic-specific committees.	Land management agencies, organizations and Tribes w/ giant sequoias, organizations focused on giant sequoia stewardship and science, and NGO fiscal administrator.	ACTIVE	Central Valley District and NRD	Superintendent and Environmental Scientists	Executive Steering and topic-specific committees	Giant Sequoia ecosystem range (map exist)	NGO - Save the Redwoods League (hires GSC staff, fundraising, project and contract management, accounting, media and outreach support)	Consensus-based. Steering Committee (only land managers approval required for strategy, budget, annual workplan, new members)	Has short, medium, and long-term funding strategy, plus a Funding Strategy Committee. Funding primarily from grants and philanthropy.	Giant Sequoia Vulnerability Assessment (2025). 3-yr Strategic Roadmap (2023)	Numerous captured in authorities and agreements matrix		<a href="https://giantsequoia.org/">https://giantsequoia.org/</a>	
Golden Gate Biosphere Network	1988	TRANSITION	Renewal Transitioning to new model	To collaboratively steward shared land and seascapes, support the sustainable development of GGBN communities, and facilitate knowledge sharing at multiple scales.	Active Land/Water Stewardship, Information and Learning Exchange, Capacity Building and Science and Research	Guided by UNESCO principles; GGBN 2017 Periodic Review; 3-yr Network strategy and annual workplan.	Multi-party collaborative. Branded Biosphere, centralized hub, broad scope. Steering Committee and work groups.	Land management agencies and organizations working w/in the biosphere; focused primarily on stewardship and science, and NGO fiscal administrator.	ACTIVE	Bay Area District	Environmental Scientists	Work Groups	Under transition: integrating into Greater Bay Area as program area	Consensus-based. Larger decisions, such as changes in charter require consensus from all members.	Currently relies on philanthropy Pursuing other models.	3-year Strategic Workplan	No over-arching agreement. Various land management/use agreements btwn some partners and GGBN agreement with fiscal administrator	None, other than UNESCO Periodic Review requirement	<a href="https://www.ggbn.org/ggbn/biosphere">https://www.ggbn.org/ggbn/biosphere</a>		
Golden Gate MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	The Golden Gate MPA Collaborative is dedicated to community engagement to safeguard the ocean and coastal ecosystems of San Francisco and Marin Counties.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN).	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	Occasional - no MPAs in DPR jurisdiction	Occasional	Rangers	Dependent upon needs	Marin and San Francisco Counties	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/goldengate/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/goldengate/</a>	
Humboldt MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To engage diverse communities in support of MPAs and the resources they provide from Pelican Beach to Shoter Cove.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN).	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	North Coast Redwoods District	MPA Interpreter; Chief Ranger	Member	Humboldt County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/humboldt/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/humboldt/</a>	
Joshua Tree Coalition	2024	ACTIVE	Forming Building	To provide range-wide coordination and collective action to effectively support the long-term viability and persistence of Joshua trees in response to landscape-scale stressors.	Active Land/Water Stewardship, Science and Research, LandM, Information and Learning Exchange, and Capacity Building	Guided by Coalition charter w/ science-based tenets.	Multi-party collaborative. Branded, centralized hub, focused scope. Steering Committee and work groups.	Key Joshua tree biology subject matter experts, land managers and practitioners (Note: the Coalition is just starting to increase outreach and participation)	N/A	None at this time. Coalition has interest in engaging State Park Districts that have land supporting Joshua Tree ecosystems	N/A	N/A	Western and eastern Joshua Tree ecosystem range - across 4 states (map exist)	NGO - Mojave Desert Land Trust hires staff and contractors, supports fundraising, accounting, project and contract management, media and public outreach.	Consensus-based. Steering Committee approval required for strategy, budget, annual workplan, new members	Currently relies on WCB and Ca-based funding, plus MDLT capacity.	None at this time. Seeking to develop larger strategy and annual workplan.	No over-arching agreement. Various land management/access/use agreements btwn some partners.	None		
Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program	1997	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To accelerate the attainment of Lake Tahoe's environmental threshold standards through implementation of the Regional Plan.	Active Land/Water Stewardship (Primary function is to implement projects, information and learning exchange)	Guided by the priorities in the EIP, executed through annual work plans for the partnership, and annually re-prioritized project lists.	Multi-party collaborative. Branded, centralized hub. Executive Committee and working groups (aquatic invasives, storm water, forest health).	Federal, state, and local government agencies; the Washoe Tribe; and several private entities. Housed within the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency - 80 partners, some of which are more active than others.	ACTIVE	Sierra District	Acting Superintendent	EP Partner, executive committee member	Lake Tahoe basin, including several state parks. 205K acres, 80% public land, 80% of that is federal (mainly USFS).	Agency - TRPA (provides coordination capacity through two positions).	Working groups report recommendations and priorities up to Executive Committee; agreement process, no formal vote.	Leverage many different sources of funding, including TRPA funds for backbone support, annual Congressional appropriations from the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act, and partner match for projects.	Regional Plan set out priorities that are executed through annual workplans.	An (unsigned) charter for the partnership, MOUs and contracts for projects with partners, including those with CA State Parks.	Some funds set aside in the federal appropriation for tracking and accountability.	<a href="https://www.tahoe.gov/governance/developmental-improvement-program/">https://www.tahoe.gov/governance/developmental-improvement-program/</a>	
Los Angeles MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To build ocean resilience and promote the cultural, recreational, and ecological value of Los Angeles County's marine protected areas by channeling broad and diverse perspectives.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN).	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	Angeles District	District Superintendent; MPA Interpreter; Rangers/Lifeguards	Potential Co-Chair/Member	Los Angeles County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/la/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/la/</a>	
Mendocino MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To enhance effectiveness and increase awareness of Mendocino County's marine protected areas.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN).	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	Sonoma-Mendocino Coast District	District and Sector Superintendent; Interpreters; Lifeguards; Rangers	Member	Mendocino County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/mendocino/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/mendocino/</a>	
Mojave and Colorado Deserts Biosphere Region	1984	ACTIVE	Building	To deepen understanding and inspire conservation of the beauty, biodiversity, and culture of the Mojave and Colorado Deserts, and to advance education, sustainable livelihoods, and thriving futures for desert communities.	Information and Learning Exchange, Science and Research	Guided by UNESCO principles and MCDDB 2017 Periodic Review. Strategic plan currently under development.	Multi-party collaborative. Branded Biosphere, centralized hub, focused scope. Steering Committee.	Land management agencies, non-profit organizations and a Tribe working w/in the biosphere; NGO fiscal administrator.	ACTIVE	Anza Borrego District	Sr. Environmental Scientist and Archeologist (tribal liaison)	Steering Committee	Mojave and Colorado Deserts Biosphere Reserve	NGO - Anza Borrego Foundation (provides in-kind staff capacity, plus grant management)	Consensus-based.	Currently relies on in-kind support and project-specific grants.	Strategic Plan under development.	No over-arching agreement. Various land management/use/access agreements btwn some partners, and cooperating agreement btwn CSP and ABF.	None, other than UNESCO Periodic Review requirement	No formal website. Ca. State Parks web page	
Monterey MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	Our mission is to use a collaborative approach to increase MPA literacy to facilitate respect and stewardship of our coastal marine environment.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN).	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	Monterey and Big Sur Districts	District and Sector Superintendent; MPA Lead Interpreter; Interpreter; Environmental Scientists; Lifeguards; Rangers	Co-Chair, meeting host	Monterey County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/monterey/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/monterey/</a>	
North Coast Resource Partnership	2005	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To enhance the watersheds and communities of the North Coast region through collaborative, multi-objective planning and project implementation led by Tribes and counties.	Capacity Building (lots of investment in this), Active Land/Water Stewardship planning; putting conditions in place for projects to happen). Science/Research (data and modeling).	Guided by overarching resilience plan, and in the process of creating an even more integrated approach.	Multi-party collaborative. Branded, Technical Peer Review Committee, Ad Hoc Committees.	Actively collaborates with hundreds of Tribal, federal, state, regional, and local partners, and is led by appointees from the region's Tribes and counties.	INACTIVE as a core member, have attended some meetings and been a funding recipient for projects	North Coast District and Mendocino-Sonoma District	None	Project-specific engagement only	North Coast region (19,000 square miles - 12% of California). Includes the Tribal lands of 35 Tribes, and all or part of seven counties.	Consultants - West Coast Watershed provides this function, though there is no role called a Coordinator.	Decision-making is usually by consensus, with each member having one vote. When decisions cannot be reached by consensus the majority opinion prevails.	20 years of base funding from Sonoma County Water Agency, leveraged with supplemented by federal and state grants, as well as some private philanthropic funding.	Resilience Plan "A Vision for North Coast Resilience" is the primary strategy. Also guided by Integrated Regional Water Strategies, geographically/thematically focused plans, regional biomass management plan, etc. Have guiding principles, six primary goals, with objectives under each one.	Voluntarily signed MOU that includes those.	Strong focus on collecting and using the best available data combined with local knowledge, including TEK and traditional science. Project tracker backed by a robust set of metrics that they report on. <a href="https://www.northcoastresourcepartnershipprojects.org/">https://www.northcoastresourcepartnershipprojects.org/</a>		
North Yuba Forest Partnership	2018	ACTIVE	Sustaining	Prioritizing, planning, and executing landscape-scale forest restoration and wildfire risk reduction across 275,000 acres of Sierra Nevada forests in the North Yuba River watershed. Address forest resilience and restoration work across the North Yuba for improvement of biodiversity, habitat, clean and abundant water, carbon storage, fire protection, and recreational opportunities.	Active Land/Water Stewardship	Work driven by supporting the EIS project on USFS lands.	Multi-party collaborative. Steering Committee and subcommittees.	Land management agency, NGOs, Tribal, county.	NA - focused on USFS lands	NA	NA	NA	US Forest Service lands in the North Yuba River watershed; partnership is mainly associated with the North Yuba landscape Resilience Project (a specific EIS project) on Tahoe National Forest.	NGO - South Yuba River Citizen's League supports one coordinator position.	Formal through MOU and governance documents, majority vote)	Grants (public and private)	Through the North Yuba Landscape Resilience Project EIS, original Proposed Action, and subsequent Records of Decision for each project area.	MOU Agreements between partners including cost share, participating Stewardship, and Good Neighbor Authority.	Project and data tracking for projects	<a href="https://www.nybf.org/">https://www.nybf.org/</a>	

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One Tam and Tamalpais Lands Collaborative (TLC)	2013	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To ensure the long-term health and stewardship of Mt. Tamalpais	Active Land/Water Stewardship, Information and Learning Exchange, Capacity Building, Education and Engagement, Science and Research, and Land Management	Guided by 5-year strategy, develops/implements regional plans and workplans; fundraises; conducts comm. science and ecological assessments, builds comm. awareness	Multi-party collaborative. Branded, centralized hub, broad scope and multi-issue. Exec. Steering and topic-specific work groups. Broader network engagement through One Tam.	Land management agencies and NGO fiscal backbone. Broader community organization network through One Tam.	ACTIVE	Bay Area District and NRD	Bay Area Superintendent and Environmental Scientists	Executive Team and Steering Committee	Area of Focus encompasses lands managed by the National Park Service, California State Parks, Marin Water, and Marin County Parks w/in Mt. Tam region.	NGO - Golden Gate National Park Conservancy hires One Tam staff for fundraising, project, and contract management	Consensus-based. Executive Team approval required for strategy, budget and annual workplan	Business plan - diverse strategy; membership, foundations; agency contribution, grants	5-yr Strategic Direction; annual work plans, Regional Forest Health, and Regional Ecological Health Assess - Peak Health.	MOU between partners; Cooperative Agreements btwn partners (except SP) and fiscal administrator.	Partnership Impact Model (used through 2020)	<a href="https://onetam.org">https://onetam.org</a>	
Orange Coast Collaborative	2017	ACTIVE	"Pre-Life Cycle" Exploration	To support the long-term health and stewardship of Orange County's protected lands and open space	Information and Learning Exchange; Science and Research	Informal project and program sharing across the region.	Multi-party collaborative, single focus, with no formal structure.	Agencies/organizations supporting the stewardship and management of Orange County's protected lands.	ACTIVE (with some partners)	Orange Coast District	Sr. Environmental Scientist and Park Biologist	Undefined	Orange County	Informal coordination provided by NGOs - Irvine Ranch Conservancy and Crystal Cove Conservancy	Consensus-based, unless identified through contractual agreements	N/A	N/A	No over-arching agreement. Various land management uses/contracts and agreements btwn some partners.	None		
Orange County MPA Council	2001	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To collaborate at a regional level to assist and inform the public and partner agencies in order to support the effective management of Orange County marine protected areas	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN)	Multi-party collaborative. Steering/Leadership Committee and subcommittees.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	Orange Coast District	District Superintendent; MPA Interpreter; Interpretive; Environmental Scientists; Rangers/Lifeguards	Past Co-Chair, Committee Lead, Member	Orange County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Leadership Committee, majority vote, employ structured approval processes, signed MOA/Bylaws/membership agreement		<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org">https://www.mpacollaborative.org</a> <a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/Content/Products/2017/07/07/MPACN-Bylaws-FINAL-1.pdf">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/Content/Products/2017/07/07/MPACN-Bylaws-FINAL-1.pdf</a>				<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/MPACN">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/MPACN</a>
Redwoods Rising	2018	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To protect old-growth coast redwoods and create connected and thriving landscape.	Active Land/Water Stewardship and Capacity Building	Guided by Forest Health and Restoration ES/ER, develops and implements regional plans and workplan priorities, and fundraises	Multi-party collaborative. Branded, centralized hub, focused scope. Exec. Steering and Tech. Advisory Committees	Land management agencies and NGO fiscal backbone.	ACTIVE	North Coast District and NRD	Superintendent and Environmental Scientists, Chief of NRD	Executive Team and Steering Committee	Focuses on restoration efforts across 120,000 acres of forests within Redwood National and State Parks in Humboldt and Del Norte Counties.	NGO - Save the Redwoods League hires RR staff. Fundraising, project and contract management	Consensus-based. Executive approval required for budget and annual workplan	Business and fundraising plan - state and federal budget contributions, grants and philanthropy.	ER/ES, annual work plans	MOU btwn partners; contracts and Proud Partner Agreement btwn NGO and agencies	2021 Partnership Wellness Check and Project-specific tracking	<a href="https://www.save theredwoods.org/projects/redwood-rising">https://www.save theredwoods.org/projects/redwood-rising</a>	
Russian River Confluence	2017	ACTIVE	Building	To create a generational shift in restoring, renewing, and celebrating the future of the Russian River watershed.	Change Agent seeking to change systems, policies, practices, culture, etc.; Information and Learning Exchange (relationships between counties, and entity that brings all of that together, working towards being an information hub for Russian River Monitoring Program data).	Guided by MOU, but currently in a transition/evolution process and have become a program of Conservation Works.	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Governed by a large Steering Committee.	Water agencies, county and state entities, nonprofits, and tribal partners participating from throughout Mendocino and Sonoma Counties.	INACTIVE as a core member, have partnered on a small number of projects	Sonoma-Mendocino Coast District	Environmental Scientist	Project-specific discussions	Sonoma and Mendocino Counties	NGO - Conservation Works supports coordination capacity, some done on a volunteer basis	Steering Committee, discussion and agreement, or consensus-based decision-making	Grants	Have goals and project focal areas, no one strategic document.	MOU	NA	<a href="https://www.russianriverconfluence.org/">https://www.russianriverconfluence.org/</a>	
San Diego MPA Collaborative	2013	ACTIVE	Sustaining	Facilitates local communication and coordination to support the management of marine protected areas through 1. Outreach and Education, 2. Enforcement and Compliance, and 3. Research and Monitoring.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN)	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	San Diego Coast District (north and south)	Sector Superintendent; MPA Interpreter; Environmental Scientists; Rangers/Lifeguards; Tribal Liaison; K-12 Access Coordinator; Sea Level Rise Program Coordinator	Member	San Diego County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/sandiego/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/sandiego/</a>	
San Luis Obispo MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To inspire individuals to become ocean stewards by cultivating an understanding and appreciation of the value and purpose of our local MPA's through research, education and enforcement.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN)	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	San Luis Obispo Coast District	District Superintendent; MPA Interpreter; Interpretive; Environmental Scientists; Rangers	Co-Chair, meeting host	San Luis Obispo County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/sanluisobispo/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/sanluisobispo/</a>	
San Mateo MPA Collaborative	2013	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To enhance awareness and promote stewardship of MPAs as special, protected places and sources of ecological, recreational and commercial value through the coordinated activities of community partners.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN)	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	San Mateo and Santa Cruz Coast Districts	Chief Ranger; Lifeguard/Rangers	Member	San Mateo County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/sanmateo/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/sanmateo/</a>	
Santa Barbara Channel MPA Collaborative	2013	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To assist in the management of Santa Barbara Channel MPAs through fostering diverse community engagement.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN)	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	Channel Coast District	District and Sector Superintendent; MPA Interpreter; Interpretation and Education Chief; Lifeguards; Rangers	Member	Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/santabarbara/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/santabarbara/</a>	
Santa Cruz Mountains Stewardship Network	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To cultivate a resilient, vibrant region where human and natural systems thrive for generations to come.	Active Land/Water Stewardship, Change Agent, Information and Learning Exchange, Capacity Building, Education and Engagement, and Science and Research	Guided by MOU, bylaws and Strategic Direction Document (in-process). Supports development of regional plan, priorities and ecological assessments.	Multi-party collaborative. Branded, networked, broad scope and multi-issue. Core Team and Impact Teams.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations.	ACTIVE	Santa Cruz District and NRD	Superintendent and Environmental Scientists	Member	Area of Focus: San Mateo and Santa Cruz Counties and the western, forested part of Santa Clara County.	Resource Conservation District - San Mateo RCD (hires Network Manager and provides fiscal administration)	Consensus-based. Larger decisions, such as changes in bylaws and adding members require consensus from all members.	Member contributions make up the bulk of the operational budget. The rest is derived from project grants from multiple sources.	EcoAtlas and Strategic Direction	Network activity guided by MOU and bylaws.	Social Network Analysis	<a href="https://www.scmsonet.org">https://www.scmsonet.org</a>	
Santa Cruz MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	Embedding awareness of marine protected areas into existing programs to increase community engagement in stewardship.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN)	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	Santa Cruz Coast District	District Superintendent; MPA Interpreter; Chief Ranger; Lifeguard/Rangers	Member, meeting host	Santa Cruz County plus Elkhorn Slough	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/santacruz/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/santacruz/</a>	
Sonoma County Vital Lands Initiative	2021	ACTIVE	Building	To prioritize the land conservation activities of Ag + Open Space through 2031 based upon a comprehensive science-based plan.	Active Land/Water Stewardship plan/implement projects, programs, conservation of natural and working lands through easements, acquisition and then stewardship on lands they own. Information and Learning Exchange (data sharing as well as public ed)	Operates under the Sonoma Ag + Open Space governing structure and processes (e.g., Board of Directors, advisory committees).	A multi-partnership-driven initiative of Sonoma Ag + Open Space to work with landowners (including State Parks) that have conservation easements.	Ag + Open Space (dependent special district) led, working with agencies, NGO, and private landowners as well as RCDs.	ACTIVE	Sonoma-Mendocino Coast District, Bay Area District	District Superintendents	Easement agreements, new acquisitions, projects on existing properties. Not a core partner.	Sonoma County	Provided by Ag + Open Space	Some decisions made at staff level, others need management team review and/or Board of Supervisors approval.	Sales tax, grants	The Vital Lands Initiative is the strategic guiding document.	Conservation easements, grant agreements, California Public Resources Code Section 5540.		<a href="https://www.sonomavitalands.org/our-vision/">https://www.sonomavitalands.org/our-vision/</a>	
Sonoma MPA Collaborative	2014	ACTIVE	Sustaining	To connect and empower community stewards to promote the long-term sustainability of Sonoma Coast marine ecosystems.	Marine Protected Area Stewardship Education, monitoring, enforcement) communication hub	MOU with the State, represented in the MPA Stewardship Leadership Team by the MPA Collaborative Network (MPACN)	Branded, multi-party collaborative with a very broad and diverse range of partners. Led by co-chairs, supported by regional specialist from MPACN.	Agencies/organizations - federal, state, regional, local, Tribal, and private organizations. Scientists, fishermen, educators, community members, ocean businesses.	ACTIVE	Sonoma-Mendocino Coast District	District Superintendent; Environmental Scientist; Lifeguards; Rangers; Tribal Liaison	Member	Sonoma County	NGO fiscal sponsor	Consensus-based. Informal. Open membership. Project-based working groups.					<a href="https://www.mpacollaborative.org/Sonoma/">https://www.mpacollaborative.org/Sonoma/</a>	
Tahoe-Central Sierra Initiative	2017	ACTIVE	Sustaining	Collaboratively improve the health and resilience of the forest ecosystems and communities in the Central Sierra and Lake Tahoe Basin.	Capacity Building, Information and Learning Exchange, Connector and Coordination	Guided by MOU and TCSI Regional Plan, develops workplans, tools and resources	Multi-party collaborative, centralized hub, defined membership @ partners) focused scope. Steering Committee and work groups.	USFS (national forests and research) and Tahoe Conservancy, Sierra Nevada Conservancy, TNC, NFF, CA Forestry Association.	N/A	None at this time. TCSI has interest in engaging State Park Districts within geography	N/A	N/A	Includes the Sierra Nevada foothills, the Sierra Nevada mountains, and surrounding areas like the American, Bear, and Yuba watersheds	Tahoe Conservancy (hires/manages TCSI Coordinator and staff and provides backbone and fiscal management functions)	Consensus-based. Primarily focused on assessing and approving new priorities and alignment of strategic direction, etc.	Currently relies on Tahoe Conservancy general funds, DOC/SNC grants and other grants.	TCSI 10-year Regional Plan (2023)	2023 TCSI MOU: good neighbor and keystone agreements between some partners (BFS and TC, USFS and SNC), SNC and TC have JPA, and a Master Stewardship Agreement btwn NFF and USFS.	Partnership health through backbone organization. Projects tracked through project tracker.	<a href="https://www.tahoeandcentralsierra.org/">https://www.tahoeandcentralsierra.org/</a>	

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