

Delta Science Program Brown Bag Series Presents

The California Ocean Protection Council: How the State Is Advancing Science-based Policies to Improve Ocean and Coastal Protection and Reduce Risks to Human Safety, Infrastructure, and the Ecosystem

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Dr. Mace will provide an overview of the Ocean Protection Council's (OPC) purpose which is to support effective oceanic and coastal resource management and policy development. The 2010 interagency *Sea Level Rise Guidance Document* will be used as an example of OPC's role in providing leadership, building collaborations, and using science to inform decision making. Dr. Mace will also discuss the OPC's draft Strategic Plan. The Plan spans the next five years and outlines goals and potential actions in five areas: 1) science-based decision-making, 2) climate change, 3) sustainable fisheries and marine ecosystems, 4) coastal and ocean impacts from land-based sources, and 5) existing and emerging ocean uses.