

## Marine Protected Areas Open Jan 1, 2012

To help improve our ocean's health and preserve coastal resources for future generations, the State is creating Marine Protected Area (MPAs) similar to "underwater parks." Join Surfrider Foundation and Reef Check California as we explore newly established MPAs throughout southern California. We'll look at maps, videos, photos and discuss regulations.

The State will begin enforcing MPAs in January. In order to educate communities about the new MPAs hitting the water, we are holding meetings throughout the region (find a meeting near you below).



Over the past 3 years, diverse groups of people have been working together to ensure MPAs are effectively implemented. Our job is not done! Everyone who loves and uses the ocean needs to make sure these MPAs are successful in the long run—and that requires public education and monitoring the progress of MPAs. Come to a meeting near you to learn more and find out how you can help. Forum inquires: <http://www.surfrider.org/California> or email [Ssekich@surfrider.org](mailto:Ssekich@surfrider.org)

### Community Meeting Locations and Dates:

#### NOV 3: SANTA BARBARA. 7-8PM

Watershed Resource Center  
2981 Cliff Drive  
Santa Barbara, CA 93109

#### NOV 9: SAN DIEGO. 7-8PM

Encinitas Community/Senior Center  
Room 120  
1140 Oakcrest Park Drive  
Encinitas, CA 92024

#### NOV 15: LOS ANGELES. 7-8PM

Sealab  
1021 N. Harbor Drive  
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

#### NOV 29: ORANGE COUNTY. 7-8PM

OC Sailing and Events Center  
Dana Cove Room  
34451 Ensendada Place  
Dana Point, CA 92629

