The Enforcement Consultants (EC) recommends that as Marine Protected Areas are developed or expanded, enforcement programs from all effected entities be involved at the earliest planning stage. The EC wishes to continue to be represented in any related processes and committees.

Specific to the extension of Marine Protected Areas from state waters to federal waters, the EC believes rules should be consistent between the two jurisdictions. The concept of maintaining consistency in rulemaking should also apply in the development of sanctuary regulations in general.

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