



Defining and Delineating Maritime Chaparral on California's Central Coast



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Workshop goals: attendees will leave with a better understanding of:

- 1) the distribution of maritime vs. more inland chaparral
 - 2) the current science defining maritime chaparral habitat
 - 3) plant species indicative of maritime chaparral
 - 4) rare and narrowly endemic species found in maritime chaparral habitat
 - 5) ways to best delineate maritime chaparral
 - 6) how agencies such as the California Coastal Commission, California Fish and Game, and coastal counties protect maritime chaparral
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9:00 *Welcome and a Review of Prior CTP Trainings on Maritime Chaparral*
Grey Hayes, Elkhorn Slough Coastal Training Program

Introductions

Untangling Maritime Chaparral - Fog Zones and Grey Areas
Mike Vasey, UC Santa Cruz Environmental Studies Department

10:00 **Break**

Definition of Maritime Chaparral in the Manual of California Vegetation
Julie Evens, Lead Vegetation Ecologist, California Native Plant Society

Towards a standardized field identification procedure for maritime chaparral
Todd Keeler-Wolf, Senior Vegetation Ecologist, Biogeographic Data Branch, California Department of Fish and Game

Overview of Monterey County plans and regulations related to central coast maritime chaparral
Jeff Main, Interim Assistant Planning Director, Monterey County Planning Department

Maritime Chaparral (Protected Habitat Within Santa Cruz County)
Robert Loveland, Resource Planner, Santa Cruz County Planning Department

12:00 **Lunch**

1:00 *Maritime chaparral within the context of the Coastal Act*
Jonna Engel, Ecologist, California Coastal Commission

Regulatory Framework and Protection of Maritime Chaparral
Deb Hillyard, Conservation Planner, CA Department of Fish and Game

Afternoon Discussion Groups

Workgroup discussions: Definition of maritime chaparral - is it sufficient and how could it be improved?

3:20 Break

3:35 Workgroup discussions: Can we delineate maritime chaparral?

5:00 Workshop adjourns