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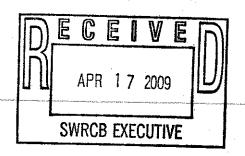
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My comments are specific to Appendix VIII - the ASBS maps -

Overall - These maps are difficult to interpret and could be greatly improved. Screen shots from the ASBS website http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ocean/asbs_map.shtml would be much better.

Specifically:

- It would be helpful to label each ASBS by name and number, as well as counties, cities or other landmarks to assist in interpreting the images.
- The recently (2007) designated MPAs in the Pt Conception to Pigeon Point region are not included. See http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/pdfs/ccmpas041907.pdf Using a similar map presentation to these CDFG maps would be a great improvement over the existing maps.
- The Maps appear to show a number of NPDES discharges within designated ASBS that are not included in the list of exceptions and not otherwise discussed in the document: -2 discharges on page 46 (One in Del Norte County, one at Trinidad), two on page 47 at Shelter Cove
- Carmel Bay does not appear as an ASBS on the relevant map (p 51).

Thank you,

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