

HANDOUT 4.2: OUTLINES FOR SYSTEM AND SITE PLANS

When there are a number of MPA sites within a broader MPA system, it often makes sense to develop a system-wide plan prior to developing each site plan. The system-wide plan gives a broad overview of the system and its goals as well as provides guidance for the site level plans.

System Plan

- **Executive Summary**
- **Current and Emerging Issues**
- **Background**
 - Authority
 - Program Description
- **Management Strategies (common to all sites)**
 - Goals and Mission
 - Biophysical
 - Socio-economic
 - Governance
 - Information Gaps
 - Stakeholder Involvement

Site Plan

- **Site Goals**
- **Current and Emerging Issues**
 - Summary of important site specific issues impacting preserve
 - Authorities (summary; any variance for site) Management Strategies
- **Quantifiable Management Strategies & Objectives (examples of site activities – should map to system management strategies)**
 - Monitoring
 - Education and outreach
 - Access and use
 - Restoration
 - Stakeholder engagement (volunteers)
 - Land acquisition priorities
- **Background**
 - Boundaries
 - Brief historical information highlighting changes since last plan
 - Demographic information and trends
 - Brief info on cultural (archeological), geophysical resource
 - Brief description of what resources
- **Appendix**
 - stakeholder involvement in plan development
 - Lists of listed species, exotic species
 - Characterize state of knowledge about resources; more detailed resource information
- **List of Partners, Management Agreements**