

Marine Conservation Agreements – A Practitioner’s Toolkit

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Marine Conservation Strategies Comparison Table

Marine Conservation Strategies	Private Lands, Resources & Services	Public Lands, Resources and Services	Protection Level	Surety
Types of MCAs				
Acquisitions: Equipment, Boats	Rare	Rare	Partial	Partial
Acquisitions: Harvest Quotas, Permits	Rare	Rare	Partial	Partial
Acquisitions: Fee-simple (Land)				
- Purchases	Common	Rare	Full	Full
- Exchanges	Rare	Occasional	Full	Full
- Gifts	Occasional	Rare	Full	Full
Acquisitions: Less-than Fee-simple (Land)				
- Purchases	Occasional	Rare	Partial	Full
- Exchanges	Rare	Rare	Partial	Full
- Gifts	Occasional	Rare	Partial	Full
Certifications: Sustainable Harvest	Rare	Occasional	Partial	Minimal
Partnerships: MOUs/MOAs	Rare	Occasional	Partial	Minimal
Contractual Agreements: Long-term (Leases, Easements, Concessions, Licenses, Assents)	Rare	Occasional	Partial	Full
Contractual Agreements: Short-term (Licenses, Rights-of-Entry)	Rare	Occasional	Minimal	Minimal
Withdrawals From Use	Rare	Occasional	Variable	Minimal
Public Education & Awareness				
Advocacy	Occasional	Common	Minimal	Minimal
Awareness & Communications	Common	Common	Minimal	Minimal
Formal Education	Rare	Rare	Minimal	Minimal
Training	Common	Rare	Minimal	Minimal
Law & Policy				
Marine Protected Areas	Rare	Common	Variable	Partial
Ocean Zoning	Occasional	Occasional	Partial	Partial
Regulatory Cleanup/Restoration	Common	Common	Full	Partial
Regulatory Prohibitions	Common	Common	Variable	Partial
Regulatory Permitting & Restrictions	Common	Common	Variable	Partial
Regulatory Wetland Mitigation	Common	Occasional	Full	Partial
Tax Incentives	Rare	Rare	Unknown	Minimal
Public Agency Capacity Building				
Funding	Occasional	Occasional	Partial	Minimal
Staffing	Rare	Rare	Partial	Minimal
Training	Common	Occasional	Partial	Minimal
Science				
Monitoring	Common	Common	Minimal	Minimal
Research	Common	Common	Minimal	Minimal