



Central Coast FishPAC

Priority Barrier Fact Sheet

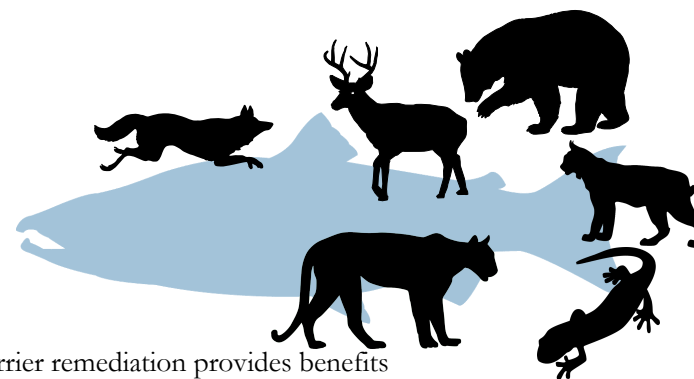
The [Central Coast FishPAC](#) was created in 2017, and includes Caltrans District 5, California Department of Fish and Wildlife Regions 3, 4, and 5, and National Marine Fisheries Service jurisdiction of Santa Rosa. Counties with current habitat, historic habitat, or known fish barriers on the State Highway System include Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara. The priority barriers in the Central Coast FishPAC were determined by and in support of FishPAC.

The purpose of this priority barrier fact sheet is to develop a shared understanding of priority barriers on the State Highway System within the geographic scope of the Central Coast FishPAC. Priority barriers are ranked and designated based on [mutually agreed upon criteria by FishPAC members](#). Remediation of priority barriers is intended to provide a maximum return on investment based on total estimated habitat above the barrier. Full-span solutions provide the most strategic return on investment because they optimize passage benefits to both terrestrial and aquatic species, provide the greatest potential to restore full ecosystem function of the habitat upstream and downstream of the barrier, and have the lowest long-term maintenance costs of any solution.

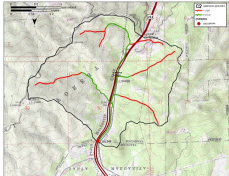
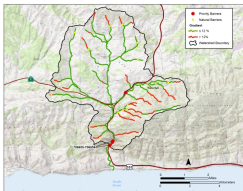
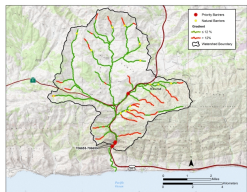
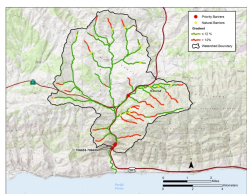
A total of 13 of the 68 statewide priority barrier locations are located within the geographic scope of the Central Coast FishPAC. Remediating these 10 barriers will provide access to an additional 85.23 miles of quality habitat for salmon and steelhead habitat, passage for a suite of terrestrial and aquatic species, and enhanced resilience to climate change stressors for all fish and wildlife.

Central Coast FishPAC Anadromous Fish Species and Listing Status

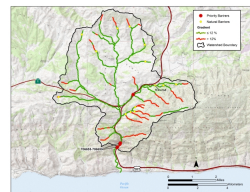
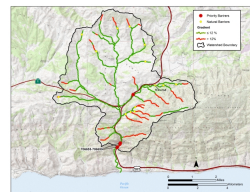
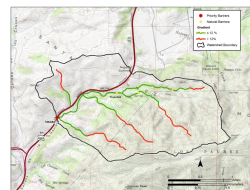
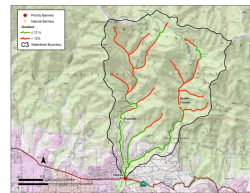
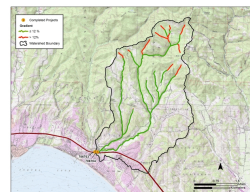
Central CA Coast Coho (Endangered)
 South Central CA Coastal Steelhead (Threatened)
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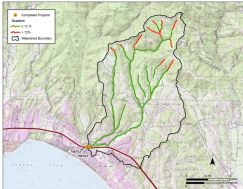
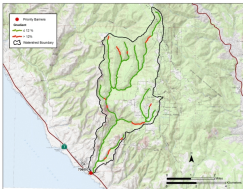
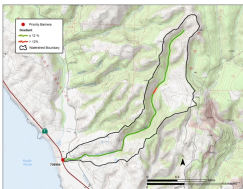
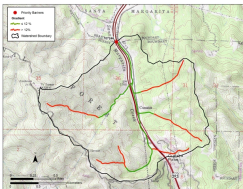


Fish passage barrier remediation provides benefits to a suite of terrestrial and aquatic species.

Map #	Caltrans District	County – Route – Post Mile	PAD ID #	Stream Name	Tributary to	Photos and Maps of Barrier		
45	5	<u>Santa Barbara – 101 – PM 0.0</u>	<u>707368</u>	<u>Rincon Creek¹</u>	<u>Pacific Ocean</u>	Photo		
	Species	<u>Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).</u>						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 10.56 miles of steelhead habitat above this barrier.						
46	5	Santa Barbara – 101 – PM 46.92	706655	Gaviota Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 25.64 miles of steelhead habitat above the 5-small check-dam barriers. Numbers 46-50 represent the 5 locations to be grouped into one project.						
47	5	Santa Barbara – 101 – PM 46.95	706656	Gaviota Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 25.64 miles of steelhead habitat above the 5-small check-dam barriers. Numbers 46-50 represent the 5 locations to be grouped into one project.						
48	5	Santa Barbara – 101 – PM 47.12	706657	Gaviota Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 25.64 miles of steelhead habitat above the 5-small check-dam barriers. Numbers 46-50 represent the 5 locations to be grouped into one project.						

¹ Rincon Creek was previously reported as funded as part of the Santa Barbara HOW project, but recently was reported as no longer funded. This watershed is one of the highest priorities for funding and has support from various agencies and FishPAC to remediate.

Map #	Caltrans District	County – Route – Post Mile	PAD ID #	Stream Name	Tributary to	Photos and Maps of Barrier		
49	5	Santa Barbara – 101 – PM 47.15	706658	Gaviota Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 25.64 miles of steelhead habitat above the 5-small check-dam barriers. Numbers 46-50 represent the 5 locations to be grouped into one project.						
50	5	Santa Barbara – 101 – PM 47.19	706659	Gaviota Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 25.64 miles of steelhead habitat above the 5-small check-dam barriers. Numbers 46-50 represent the 5 locations to be grouped into one project.						
51	5	Santa Barbara – 101 – PM 49.6	706388	Gaviota Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 2.73 miles of steelhead habitat above this barrier.						
52	5	Santa Barbara – 192 – PM 3.39	706538	Mission Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Southern California Coast Steelhead (Endangered).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 4.26 miles of steelhead habitat above this barrier.						
53	5	Santa Cruz – 1 – PM 9.97	706703	Valencia Creek	Aptos Creek	Photo		
	Species	Central California Coast Coho (Endangered), Central California Coast Steelhead (Threatened).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 16.36 miles of salmon and steelhead habitat above this barrier.						

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54	5	Santa Cruz – 1 – PM 10.05	706704	Valencia Creek	Aptos Creek	Photo		
	Species	Central California Coast Coho (Endangered), Central California Coast Steelhead (Threatened).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 16.33 miles of salmon and steelhead habitat above this barrier.						
55	5	Santa Cruz – 1 – PM 28.59	706003	San Vicenta Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Central California Coast Coho (Endangered), Central California Coast Steelhead (Threatened).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 4.4 miles of salmon and steelhead habitat above this barrier.						
56	5	Santa Cruz – 1 – PM 31.25	705994	Molino Creek	Pacific Ocean	Photo		
	Species	Central California Coast Coho (Endangered), Central California Coast Steelhead (Threatened).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 2.31 miles of salmon and steelhead habitat above this barrier.						
57	5	San Luis Obispo – 101 – PM 36.59	707246	Santa Margarita Creek	Salinas River	Photo		
	Species	Southern Central California Coast Steelhead (Threatened).						
	Habitat	There is an estimated 2.64 miles of steelhead habitat above this barrier.						