
National Coastal Management Performance Measurement System

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Performance Measures

- Search for existing data sources
- Document metadata carefully
- Establish definitions and criteria for long-term consistency by CZM program and for communicating with other state agencies
- Develop a tracking database for data collected from other state agencies
- Make the performance measures useful for your own needs!
- Don't wait to call me with questions!

Public Access Measures

- PA1: Number of dollars spent on activities that provide or enhance public access to the coast
 - Public access activities include those eligible under 306A, planning and education (306, 309)
 - Report both CZMA funded and state funded
 - Need dollar tracking for implementation

- PA2: Number of dollars leveraged by CZMA funds for activities that provide or enhance public access
 - Dollars over match due to CZMA funded project
 - Project partner dollar tracking for implementation

Public Access Measures

- PA3: Number of approved CZM programs that have a process to periodically assess the public demand for increased or improved public access sites within coastal zone
 - Public is surveyed about need for more or improved access sites
 - Either CZMA funded or state funded
- PA7: Percent of public that feels they have adequate access to the coast for recreation purposes
 - Need for assistance with surveying techniques?

Public Access Measures

- PA4: Number of new sites that provide public access to the coast by category: a) beach or shoreline access; b) recreational boat access; c) other natural/cultural resources access
 - Apply 306A project eligibility criteria for reporting CZMA and state funded projects
 - Use CZM approved definition of beach or can use EPA beach water quality testing sites
 - Define “site” for all public access measures
 - Need project tracking for both CZM and state acquisition projects

Public Access Measures

- PA5: Number of existing public access sites that have been enhanced by category
 - Use 306A project eligibility criteria to define enhancement activities
 - Report sites completed during reporting period
- PA6: Number of sites where public access is protected or maintained through CZM permitting activities by category
 - Site may equal permit
 - Define public access and minimum criteria for protection or maintenance

Public Access Measures

- PA8: Percent of acres in coastal zone open for public (recreational) use
 - Local, state, federal, NGO acres as long as they meet “public” criteria
 - Track acres of public coastal waters separately
- PA9: Percent of total miles of beach in coastal zone open for public use
 - Miles of beach habitat **not** shoreline miles
 - Define “public” using ownership and walking rights

Public Access Measures

- Measurement Consistency for PA 8 and 9
 - Search for existing data sources and identify quality, measurement technique, scale or resolution, and coverage
 - Use data source that will provide best management support consistently over time
 - OCRM will **not** report PA8 and PA9 as absolute accounting of national acres and miles, acknowledging differences in measurement protocol, instead OCRM will focus on trends

Public Access Measures

- PA10: Number of coastal sites open for public (recreational) use by category
 - Local, state, federal, NGO sites that meet “public” criteria
 - Need public lands tracking database- look for state LWCF and Natural Heritage Programs

Government Coordination Measures

- Number of CZM programs that support local governments through technical assistance programs and financial assistance
 - Support with CZMA federal/matching dollars
- Percent of CZMA funds used to support local governments through technical assistance programs and financial assistance
 - CZMA dollars spent on support activities

Government Coordination Measures

- GCD3: Percent of federal consistency projects that are consistent with program standards by category.
 - Previous Sect. B progress report
 - Track consistency approvals by
 - approved as received and
 - approved after consultation either before or after application is made

Government Coordination Measures

- GCD4: Number of educational activities and training opportunities offered by CZM program
 - Educational activities are field events and presentations not publications
 - Internet training when first released or substantially updated can be included

- GCD5: Number of participants
 - Track participants in activities reported in GCD4
 - Web hits can approximate internet training participants if registration is not required

Government Coordination Measures

- GCD6: Number of CZMA dollars spent on research and tools to improve coastal management decision-making
 - Management oriented research
 - Tools can include surveys and software
- GCD7: Number of approved CZM programs that have adopted streamlined permitting processes
 - Establish time limit, 5 years is recommended as minimum cycle

Government Coordination Measures

- GCD8: Number of approved CZM programs that have up-to-date program management plan
 - Plan is the approved program document based on original EIS for how state meets CZMA requirements
- GCD9: Number of approved CZM programs that have program guides to improve public understanding of the program
 - Guides on how to participate in program activities such as consistency, permitting, planning, grants, etc.