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Secretary Laird Issues Statement on President Obama's Designation of New National Monuments Along California's Coast

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Natural Resources Agency Secretary John Laird issued the following statement in support of President Obama's action today under the authority of the Antiquities Act of 1906 to expand the California Coastal National Monument to include six individual sites across the northern, central, and southern California Coast: Trinidad Head, Lost Coast Headlands, Waluplh-Lighthouse Ranch, Piedras Blancas, Cotoni-Coast Dairies, and Orange County Rocks and Islands:

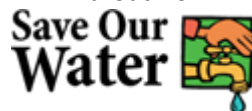
"California has enthusiastically supported the protection of these signature sights by including them in the California Coastal National Monument, created in 2000. I am pleased to see the expansion of these already well-loved spaces. The six individual sights across northern, central, and southern California highlight the diverse treasures of our coastal environments. Many of these areas are adjacent to iconic state-protected lands. The President's action will further protect these special places, and allow for better cooperation between the state and federal government in order to manage and protect these lands for all stakeholders."

More information about the designation is available [here](#).

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