

## Marbled Murrelet Technical Committee Report

2023 Annual Report – Marbled Murrelet Technical Committee (MMTC)

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The MMTC held its annual meeting, in-person with ability for online participation, on February 14, 2023. States, provinces, federal agencies, and conservation groups provided updates related to Marbled Murrelet activities. The Marine and Disturbance subcommittees did not meet in 2023. The Inland Survey Protocol subcommittee continued work on the revised protocol in 2023; we are happy to report that the revised protocol is completed and it will be a PSG technical publication, posted on the PSG website in February, 2024.

In 2023, a subgroup within the MMTC worked on a MAMU Habitat Management Recommendations document; similar to the protocol, this document will also be a PSG technical publication, posted on the PSG website in February, 2024, concurrent with the protocol. In 2023, a group of MMTC members met in-person and concurrently online to discuss conservation challenges faced by land managers in MAMU Conservation Zone 6 (Santa Cruz Mountains, California), in the wake of the devastating wildfires there in 2020 that impacted murrelet nesting habitat. Future discussions will take place in 2024, to determine if this group of MMTC members wishes to form a subcommittee within the MMTC to address these habitat conservation issues.