



# AREA OF SPECIAL BIOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE

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## What is an Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS)?

An ASBS is a coastal region designated by the State Water Board in the California Ocean Plan because of the unique and sensitive marine ecosystem found in the area.

## Does Pacific Grove have an Area of Special Biological Significance?

Yes! The [Pacific Grove ASBS](#) is 3.2 miles of coastline west from the City of Monterey border to Asilomar Boulevard just before Point Pinos. This ASBS lies entirely within the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, and contains the Pacific Grove State Marine Conservation Area and Hopkins State Marine Reserve. The ASBS receives runoff from approximately 1,000 acres in Pacific Grove and 100 acres in the City of Monterey.

To find out if a property is located in the ASBS watershed area, search by the property address or the Assessor's Parcel Number on [PGPARCEL.NET](#)

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