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Receive Presentation by Mei Blundell on "Coding the Coast" Program

The City of Fort Bragg was approached by a UC Davis Graduate Student working with a team of researchers funded by the National Science Foundation to implement a multidisciplinary, integrated approach to understand: 1) how individuals and communities rely on and relate to the kelp social-ecological system; 2) the drivers of kelp ecosystem vulnerability to extreme temperatures and land runoff; and 3) potential long-term outcomes of different restoration approaches. The City of Fort Bragg sponsored the internship by providing space within City Hall to work, and regular meetings with the Assistant City Manager for support and direction.

The Coding the Coast Program was delivered to five second grade classrooms over a three week period (five, one-hour lessons in each classroom). All teaching materials have been made available to the Fort Bragg Unified School District, Noyo Center for Marine Science, Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians Tribal Youth Diversion Program, and Mendocino Coast Children's Fund.