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<u>Title:</u> Improve impact minimization and mitigation activities for unavoidable impacts to resources to reduce and offset lost ecosystem function; including the use of non-traditional mitigation strategies.

Objective: The intended outcome of this action is to further avoid and minimize permitted impacts to natural resources due to coastal construction projects by expanding and improve mitigation practices.

Background: This recommended management action is being put forth because the current state statute requires that mitigation replace 100% of lost ecosystem function; however, current mitigation practices (boulders) do not recruit like natural reefs nor do they recruit within the monitoring time period.

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