This “Marine Conservation Area,” (formally a marine reserve), designated by the State of California protects this estuary habitat.

You are welcome to explore, but regulations prohibit digging and collecting. This means buckets, cups, shovels, and similar equipment are restricted to the sandy beach.

Replace upturned rocks and wood wet side down. This provides a safe haven for critters.

Walk carefully to avoid crushing crabs and other marine life.

Leave what you find: no collecting is permitted.

Drop by Crab Cove Visitor Center to learn more about the creatures and habitats shown on this panel.