

# Swedish experience in preparing the pledge for marine protected areas

Third Natura 2000 biogeographical seminar for the Baltic marine region



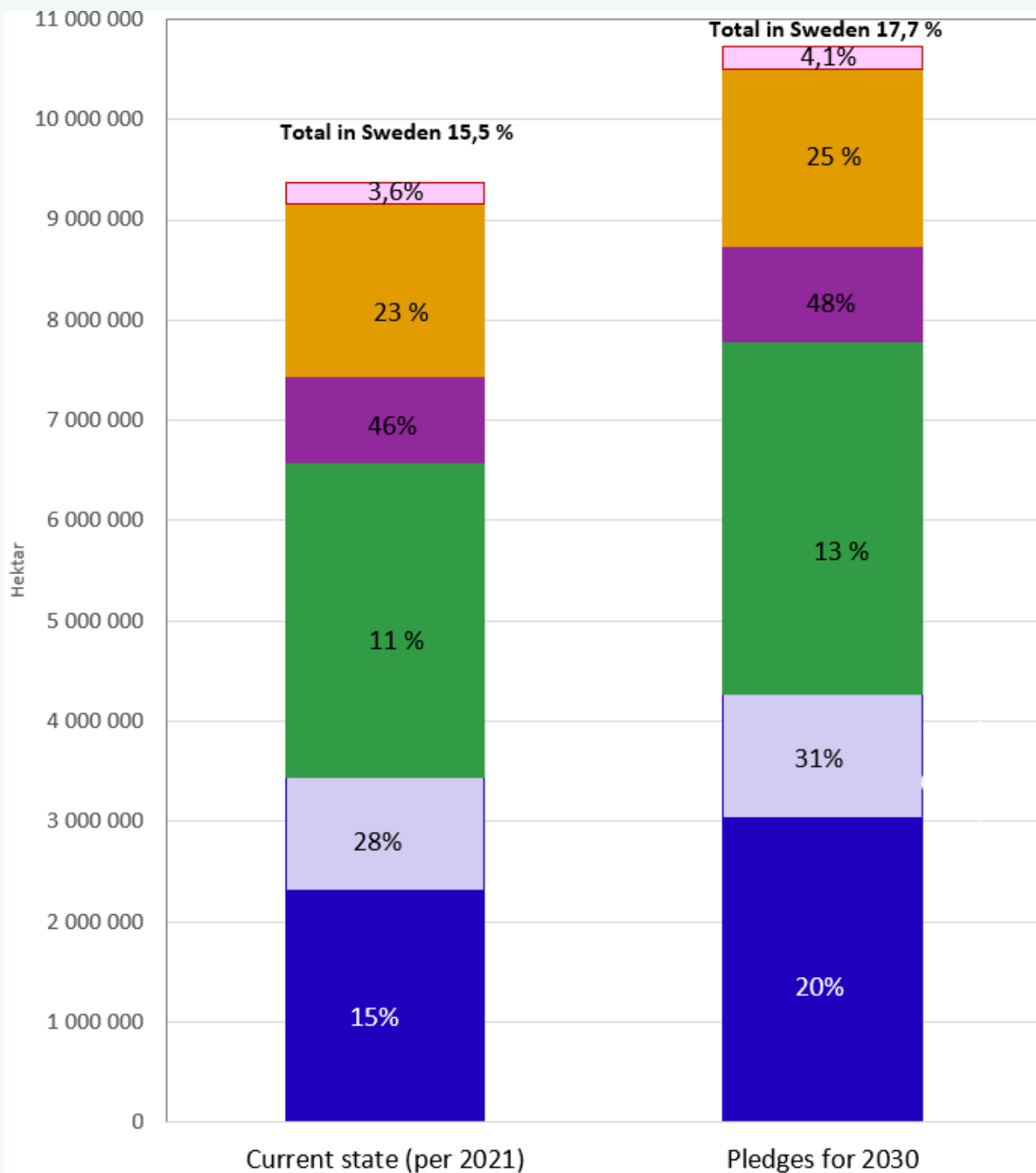
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# Outline

- » Pledges – nationally and per marine biogeographic region
- » Governance
- » Framework and regional plans
- » Strict protection and OECMs
- » Stakeholder involvement

## Swedish pledges – national scale



Other outside mountain region

Open wetland

Other within mountain region

Forest

Lakes and rivers

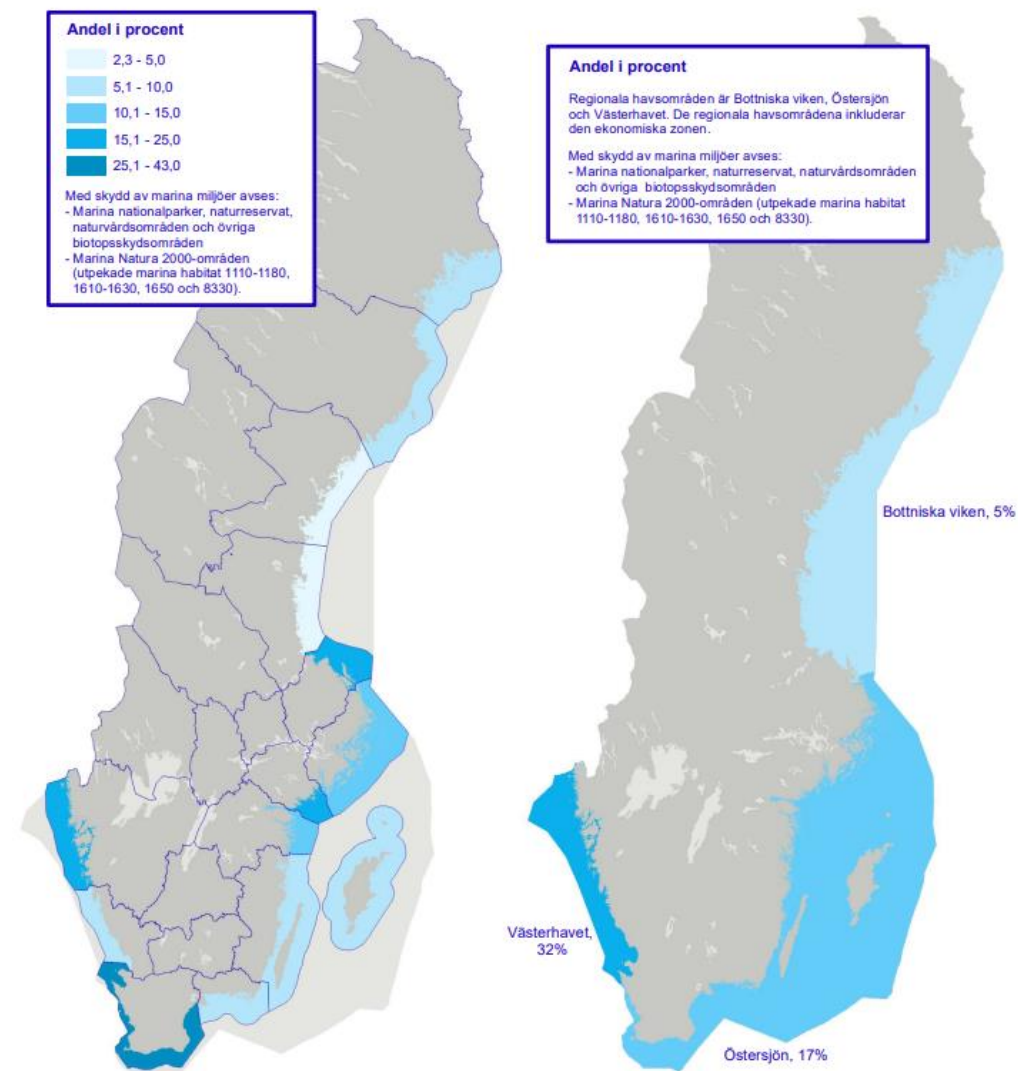
Marine

# Pledges marin protected areas – per biogeographic region

Marine Atlantic Region	2023	2030
Protected areas (ha)	457 914 (32%)	502 914 (36,5%)
Strict protection (ha)	0	110 000 (8%)

Marine Baltic Region	2023	2030
Protected areas (ha)	1 860 434 (12,5%)	2 540 434 (18%)
Strict protection (ha)	0	73 600 (0,8%)

Karta 7 och 8. Skyddad natur i marin miljö, efter län och regionalt havsområde, 2021-12-31



# Governance

## Who does what?

- » County Administrative Boards
- » Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management
- » Swedish Environmental Protection Agency
- » Ministries


## What have we included in the pledge?

- Natura 2000 sites
- National parks
- Nature reserves
- Marine biotope protection areas



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Ramverk för marint områdesskydd



**Plan för marint områdesskydd i Bottniska viken**  
Regionala mål och prioriteringar

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**Plan för marint områdesskydd i Egentliga Östersjön**  
Regionala mål och prioriteringar

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Strategi för skydd och förvaltning av marina miljöer och arter i Västerhavet



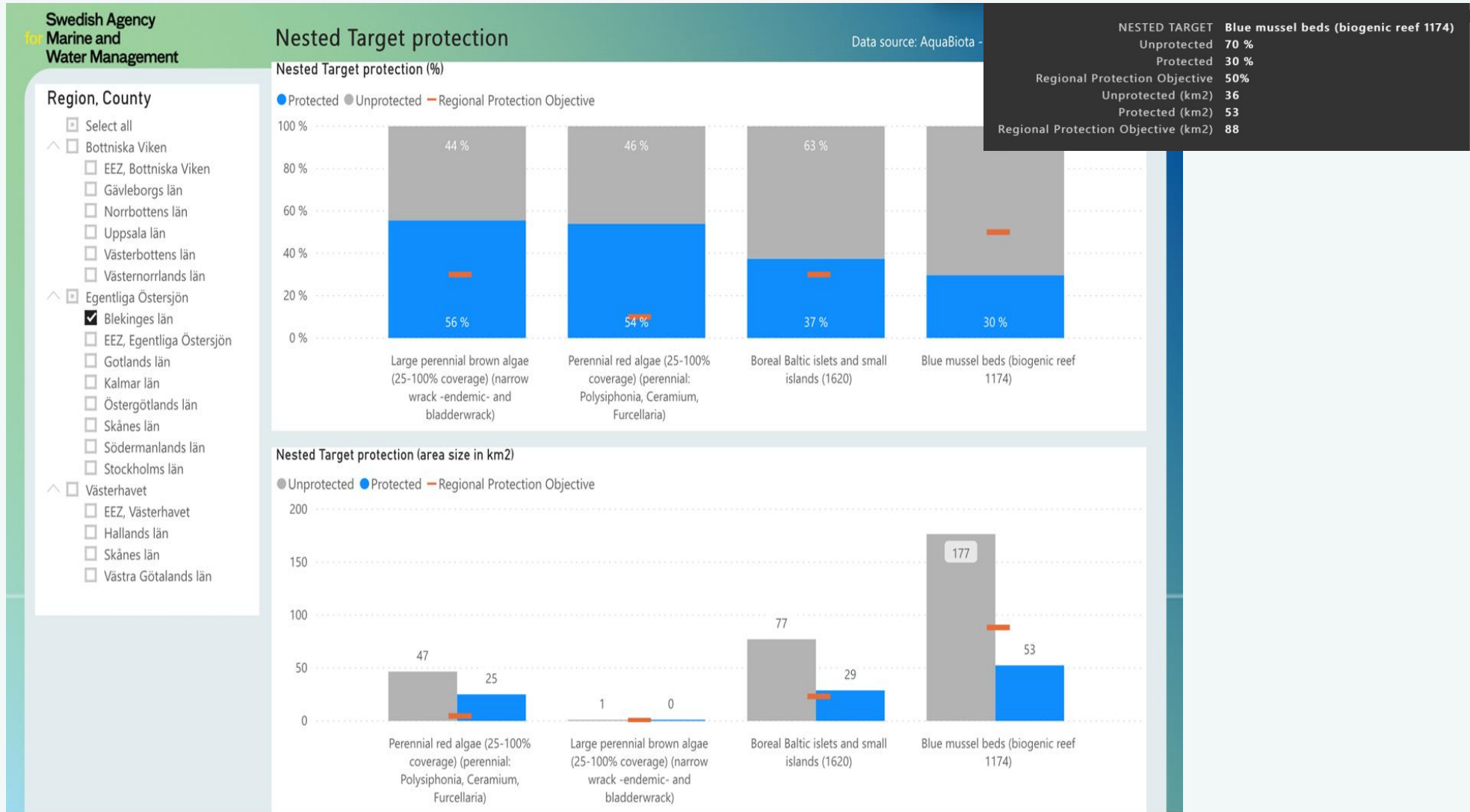


**Framework for marine protected areas**

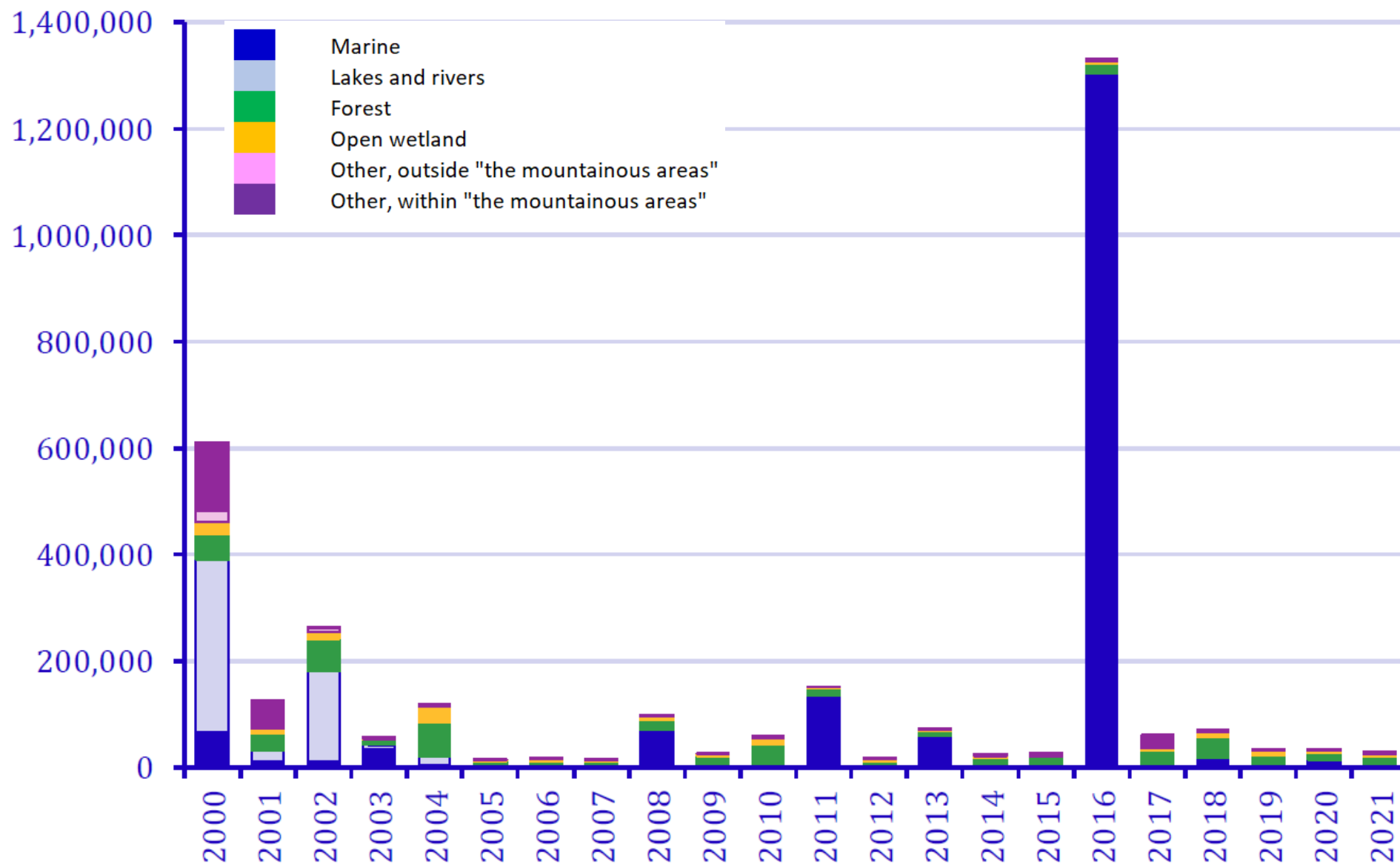
# Framework for designating



How much is protected of the nested targets in relation to the total distribution?



Hektar





## Strict protection and OECMs

### Strict protection

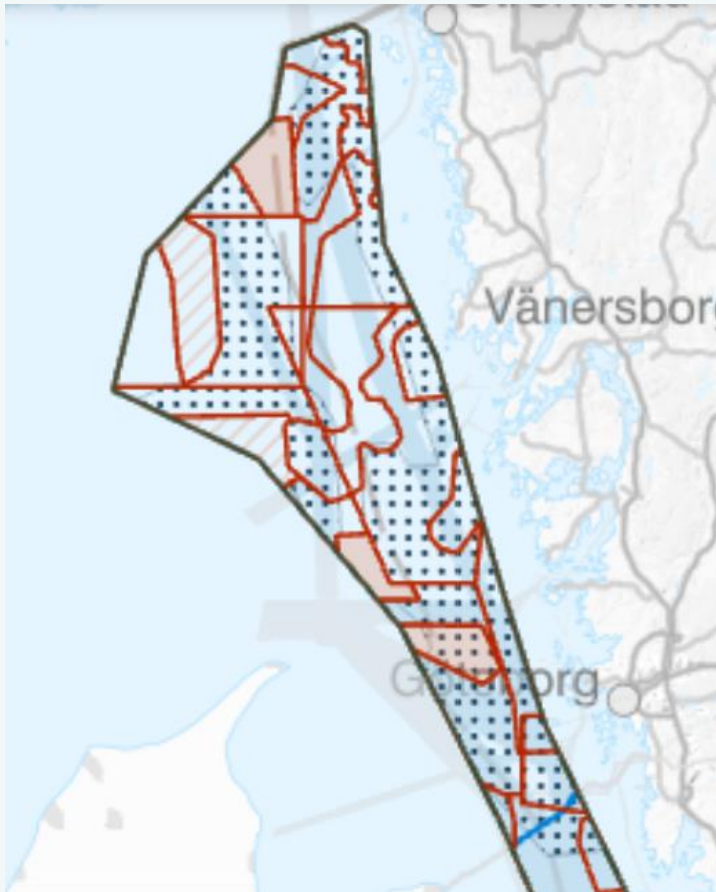
- » Marine protected areas unaffected by local human impact
- » Concept not finally developed
- » Difference in terrestrial and aquatic systems
- » Low hanging fruits

### OECMs

- » Concept not finally developed
- » Difference in terrestrial and aquatic systems



## Stakeholder involvement – need data



- » MATL – specific proposed marine protected areas
- » Marine spatial planning – public hearing
- » MATL – relatively minor additions to the network of MPAs
- » MBAL – no geographically specified areas
- » MBAL – protection objectives per nested target
- » MBAL – large areas remain to be designated
- » Uninsufficient data



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