

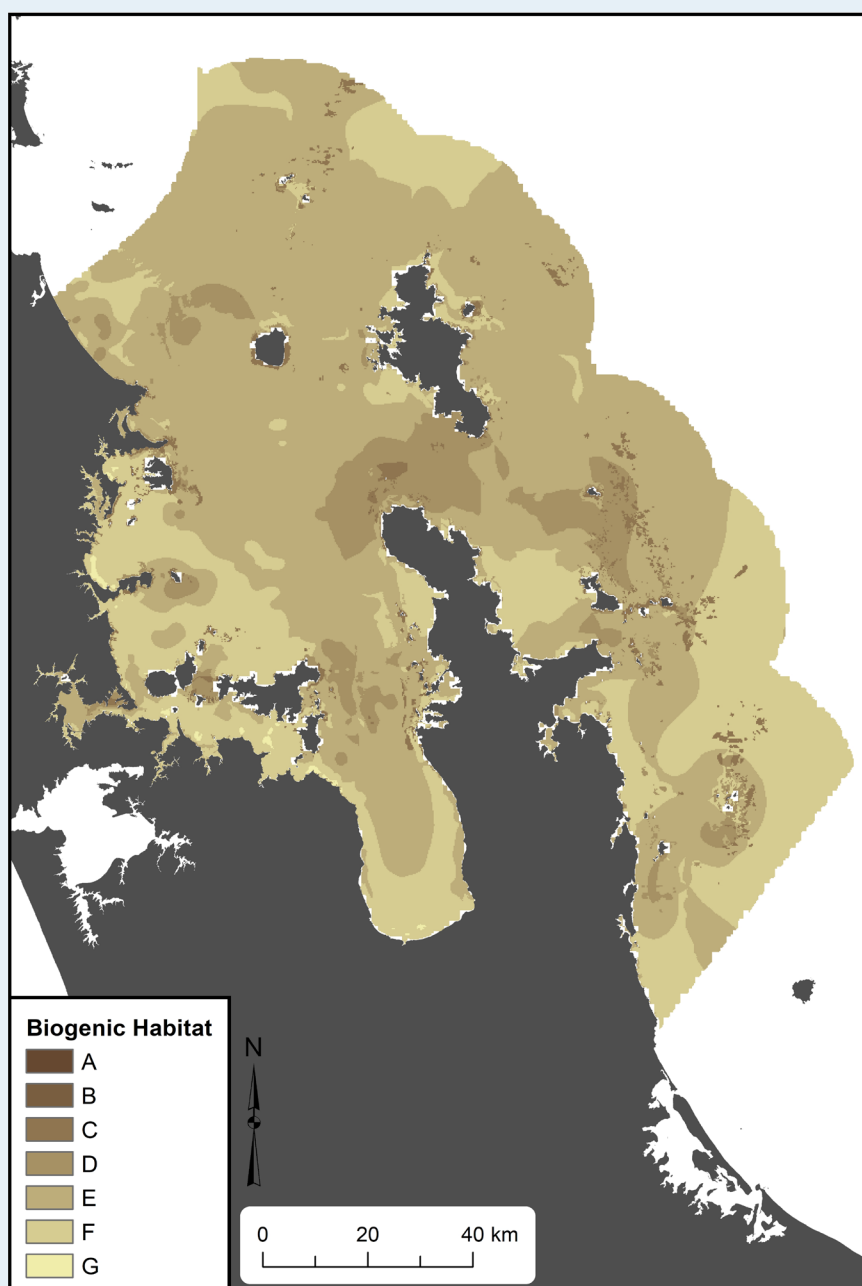


Map

Biogenic habitat provision: Hauraki Gulf (14,000 km²)

This biogenic structure map shows where refuge habitats, eg kelp forests, sponge gardens and tubeworm mounds, are predicted to be found. These habitats act as nurseries for young fish and invertebrates.

The zones indicate the classification of importance to service provision from **high importance, A** (darkest shading), to **low importance, G** (lightest shading).



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