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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: Gary Jones, Director
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SUBJECT: BEACH COMMISSION AGENDA – January 22, 2025

The agenda for the January 22, 2025, in-person Commission meeting—which will also be livestreamed virtually (audio only)—is attached. Also attached are the meeting minutes from July 24, 2024, and October 23, 2024, reports pertaining to Agenda Items 3A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 5A, 5B, and 5C, and the Beach Commission Attendance Reports.

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AGENDA

REGULAR Meeting of the Beach Commission
January 22, 2025
9:30 a.m.
Burton Chace Park Community Room
13650 Mindanao Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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1. CALL TO ORDER, LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 24, 2024
October 23, 2024

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. Coastal Resiliency Plan (UPDATE)

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Commission Officers (ACTION)
B. Palisades Fire (PRESENTATION)
C. Repair and Maintenance of Beach Septic Tank Systems (PRESENTATION)
D. Clearwater Project at Royal Palms Beach (PRESENTATION)

Damon K. Nagami, Chair
Judith Meister, Vice Chair

Michael Bustamante
Rosi Dagit
Teresa Furey

Madelyn Glickfeld
Angela Mooney D'Arcy
Shannon Ross

Bruce Saito
Kurt Weideman

5. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Ongoing Activities Report (REPORT)
- B. Beach and Marina del Rey Special Events (REPORT)
- C. Beach Projects Report (REPORT)
- D. Lifeguard Report (REPORT)

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

Communication from the public will be from those who attend in person.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

April 23, 2025, 9:30 a.m. at Burton Chace Park

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BEACH COMMISSION
MINUTES OF JULY 24, 2024, MEETING

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Damon Nagami, Chair
Judith Meister, Vice Chair
Rosi Dagit
Teresa Furey
Madelyn Glickfeld
Shannon Ross
Bruce Saito
Kurt Weideman

ABSENCES

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Angela Mooney D'Arcy
Sharon Musa

STAFF PRESENT

Gary Jones, Director, Beaches and Harbors
Carol Baker, Deputy Director, Community and Operational Services
Catrina Love, Division Chief, Community and Marketing Services Division
Penelope Rodriguez, Division Chief, Operational Services Division
Warren Ontiveros, Division Chief, Planning Division
Kate Ricci, Coastal Resiliency Planner, Planning Division
Joan Hernandez, Program Manager II, Community and Marketing Services Division
Sevanna Hartonians, Deputy County Counsel
Fernando Boiteux, Chief Lifeguard, Los Angeles County Fire Department

MEETING LOCATION

Burton Chace Park Community Room

1. CALL TO ORDER, LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Damon Nagami called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. At Chair Nagami's request, Commissioner Shannon Ross read the Land Acknowledgement; Commissioner Kurt Weideman led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Nagami requested a motion to approve the April 24, 2024, minutes. Commissioner Weideman so moved with a request for an amendment to correct the April meeting's

attendance report to reflect Commissioner Teresa Furey's presence. Commissioner Bruce Saito seconded the motion.

Ayes: 9. Chair Damon Nagami, Vice Chair Judith Meister, Commissioners Rosi Dagit, Teresa Furey, Madelyn Glickfeld, Shannon Ross, Bruce Saito, Kurt Weideman

The minutes were approved as amended.

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. WHITE POINT PARK SITE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT - FINAL CONCEPT DESIGN

Coastal Resiliency Planner Kate Ricci from the Department of Beaches and Harbors Planning Division and Ms. Jessie Jones, a planning and environmental services consultant to the Department, presented the final concept design for the White Point Park Improvements Project.

Ms. Ricci provided an overview of White Point Park's history. Ms. Jones said final preferred designs for the park include a loop trail, four vista points, relocated playground and picnic area, and interpretive walk. She also discussed integrating native vegetation and new signage designs. Construction bidding will start in March of 2025.

Commissioner Ross said she received positive community feedback regarding the new design of the park, especially regarding the fenced in playground.

Commissioner Madelyn Glickfeld asked about high winds on the bluff and direct beach trail access. Ms. Jones said high winds are not a concern for the area, and there is no direct beach access trail.

Vice Chair Judith Meister asked about public input regarding combining design ideas and the interpretive walkway. Ms. Jones said people liked the loop trail, active use areas near the restrooms, the protective fence around the playground, and accessibility. The interpretive signs are being developed with guidance from a tribal liaison.

Chair Nagami said bringing native tribal gatherings into parks could be an interesting pilot program. Ms. Ricci said she will discuss the idea with the chairman of the Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council.

Commissioner Rosi Dagit recommended going to Discovery Park to learn about Chumash and Gabrielino/Tongva history.

B. DEI WORKGROUP

Chair Nagami said meetings were held about developing the Department's Equity-Based Beach Use Permitting Policy pilot program. He said the policy accommodates groups that traditionally haven't had events at the beach.

Commissioner Glickfeld asked if the DEI Workgroup was about hiring people with diverse backgrounds. She said that Lifeguards would benefit from hiring people from different backgrounds. Chair Nagami said the DEI Workgroup focuses on whatever topic they'd like to work on and provide updates to the Commissioners as needed.

Commissioner Ross said she just joined the DEI Workgroup and appreciated the work everyone has done.

C. TOPANGA LAGOON RESTORATION

Chair Nagami introduced Commissioner Dagit, who updated the Commission on the progress of the plans for the Topanga Lagoon restoration and its related properties. She thanked the elders of indigenous tribes of the community and other partners for their input on the design and development of the project. She noted the final Environmental Impact Report review period ends August 13, 2024, and she anticipates certification by the end of that month. Funding is in place for 90 percent of the bridge, roadway, and lagoon projects. Additional funding applications will be reviewed in the fall. The goals for the project are to complete the formal design process by December 2026, with a four- to five-year construction period beginning in fall 2028.

Chair Nagami asked if any opposition had been received. Commissioner Dagit said the homeowners in the communities located at the west end of the County's beach don't want construction in their neighborhood and have concerns regarding unhoused individuals and the parking lot.

Commissioner Glickfeld asked about advanced wastewater treatment systems and the acquisition of more beach sand. Commissioner Dagit said Topanga Beach has an advanced onsite wastewater management system, which is working well. Beach sand will not be imported; existing sand currently buried under riprap will be exposed.

Commissioner Glickfeld asked Warren Ontiveros to comment on the funding progress. Mr. Ontiveros said the Topanga Lagoon project is farther along than the Living Shoreline projects. The Living Shoreline projects are complicated in different ways, and funding is being pursued so it is not in competition with the Topanga Lagoon project.

Vice Chair Meister asked who will be responsible for maintenance and operations when the project is completed. Commissioner Dagit said each landowner will maintain and operate their areas. The Department will oversee everything south of Pacific Coast Highway, the lagoon will be under the jurisdiction of California State Parks, and Caltrans will be responsible for the roadway and bridge. There will be a five-year post construction monitoring period, and after that, responsibilities of each entity will be fully

clarified.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. NEW BEACH CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Chair Nagami welcomed Karen Martin, Chair of the Board for the Beach Ecology Coalition, which works to improve beach management and coastal resilience in southern California. Ms. Martin's presentation provided background on the coalition and agencies it works with. She explained the beach certification program will be for anyone who is interested in the care of beaches. The ten-unit program will be a self-paced online training course with subjects that include beach ecosystems, human uses, beach maintenance, health and safety for the environment, water quality, the role of regulatory resource management agencies, and public and stakeholder involvement. She shared how to help with the process and said they hope to finish building the program by the end of 2025.

Commissioner Meister asked how to encourage everyone to participate. Ms. Martin said she hopes communities will follow the Department's lead in participation.

Chair Nagami asked how the Department could show support. Deputy Director Carol Baker said the Department supports the program and mentioned examples of training components that could be included in staff training. She said Nicole Mooradian, the Department's Public Information Specialist, would coordinate interviews with subject matter experts in the Department to assist Ms. Martin with the program.

Commissioner Dagit asked if people would receive a certificate after training. Ms. Martin said once the program is developed, the Bay Foundation will fund certification for five years, and there will be an online list of those who have earned the certification.

Commissioner Ross asked if it would be appropriate to make a motion to support the program to the Board of Supervisors. Ms. Baker said the presentation that day is informational only, and if an action was required, it would need to be agendaized.

Commissioner Glickfeld noted her support of the program and suggested the Department encourage all staff to take the training.

B. SUMMER ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Ms. Baker introduced Operational Services Division Chief Penelope Rodriguez, who presented on summer beach operations. Ms. Rodriguez provided the following information:

- The Department hired 22 Grounds Maintenance Workers.
- Illegal vendors and unpermitted events continued to cause issues at the beach.

- Some members of the public have displayed aggressive behavior toward Department staff.
- The Code Enforcement Unit coordinated with Los Angeles County Animal Services and the Los Angeles Police Department to cite visitors who bring their dogs to the beach.
- The Department assisted agencies from the City of Los Angeles with homeless encampment cleanups.
- The septic system at northern Topanga Beach overflowed on July 4.
- Several other restrooms were being evaluated for repairs.

Commissioner Dagit asked which part of the septic system failed. Ms. Rodriguez said the system was clogged.

Ms. Baker then introduced Community and Marketing Services Division Chief Catrina Love, who presented highlights of the Department's summer programming at Dockweiler Beach and Burton Chace Park. She noted Coastal Cleanup Day will be held September 21, 2024, at Dockweiler Youth Center, and showed winning artwork from the *Can the Trash!* Clean Beach Poster Contest. She also said Dance MDR will return to Burton Chace Park in September.

Mr. Ontiveros provided an update on the Department's coastal resilience efforts. He said the Department is moving forward with the feasibility study phase for the three Living Shoreline demonstration projects. He talked about the Sand Compatibility and Opportunistic Use Program, which replenishes small amounts of sand on beaches to help build coastal resilience. He also provided updates on the progress for funding several projects.

Commissioner Glickfeld asked if a separate working group could be organized to focus on coastal resiliency issues. Ms. Baker said the idea could be discussed.

5. STAFF REPORTS

A. ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT

Ms. Baker submitted the report and asked the Commissioners to review how Los Angeles County is engaging the Department regarding the Anti-Racism, Diversity, and Inclusion Initiative (ARDI).

B. BEACH SPECIAL EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Ms. Love submitted the report.

C. BEACH PROJECTS REPORT

Ms. Rodriguez submitted the report and said the Department had been awarded the Blue Flag Award for the second year in a row at Westward Beach.

Commissioner Dagit asked which other beaches are being considered for Blue Flag certification. Mr. Ontiveros said Redondo Beach was being considered but did not pass the water tests.

D. LIFEGUARD REPORT

Lifeguard Chief Fernando Boiteux said during the current season, 220 lifeguards work during the week, and 250 on the weekends. Excessive disturbances on the beach and assaults to lifeguards have increased due to people living on the beaches. The Lifeguard Division is working with local law enforcement for training to mitigate those situations. Chief Boiteux said the Junior Lifeguard Program already has about 4,000 children enrolled for the summer sessions. He also mentioned the upcoming Lifeguard Medal of Valor Awards.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

There were no Commissioner comments.

7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Alexander Kovalov addressed the Commission about fake private property signs posted on Malibu beaches.

8. ADJOURNMENT / NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Chair Nagami adjourned the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

The next regular Beach Commission meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Donalyn Anderson

Commission Secretary

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BEACH COMMISSION
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 23, 2024, MEETING

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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MEETING LOCATION

Burton Chace Park Community Room

1. CALL TO ORDER, LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Judith Meister called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m. Community and Marketing Services Division Chief Catrina Love read the Land Acknowledgement, and Commissioner Kurt Weideman led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. NEW BUSINESS

A. POINT DUME WHALE WATCH EASEMENT AND TRAIL REHABILITATION PROJECT

Division Chief Warren Ontiveros from the Department of Beaches and Harbors (Department) Planning Division presented a Board letter regarding the Point Dume Whale Watch Easement and Trail Rehabilitation Project. He explained the details of

the project and said the letter formalizes the capital projects dollars that have been set aside and authorizes the Department to move forward using those existing agreements. He asked for the Commission's endorsement before it is reviewed by the Board of Supervisors.

Commissioner Weideman asked how the project is funded. Mr. Ontiveros said the money, which came from the Department's surplus revenues, was set aside in the prior fiscal year.

Commissioner Bruce Saito asked if there were issues relating to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy or Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority (MRCA). Mr. Ontiveros said the MRCA was in line to take ownership of the easement and operate it in the future; however, the easement was referred back to the Department, which will go forward with the repairs.

Commissioner Madelyn Glickfeld asked if the MRCA is no longer involved with the easement. She also asked where the public parking will be located. Mr. Ontiveros confirmed the MRCA is no longer involved. Parking is located along Westward Beach Road or in the Point Dume lot.

Vice Chair Meister asked for a motion for the Commission's endorsement. Commissioner Glickfeld so moved, and Commissioner Weideman seconded the motion.

Ayes: 6. Vice Chair Meister, Commissioners Madelyn Glickfeld, Kurt Weideman, Bruce Saito, Teresa Furey, and Angela Mooney D'Arcy.

The motion carried.

B. PROPOSITION 4: AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL LANDS FROM CLIMATE RISKS.

Commissioner Saito provided information about Proposition 4, and how \$10 billion in bond funds would be allocated if voters approve the measure in November. He said \$3.8 billion would be used for safe drinking water, drought, flood and water resistance, while \$1.5 billion would be reserved for fire resiliency. Additional funds will be used towards other issues, including addressing sea level rise.

Vice Chair Meister asked what positions the Board of Supervisors had taken on other propositions besides Proposition 4. Deputy Director Carol Baker said the information would be sent to all the Commissioners.

3. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no communication from the public.

Commissioners and staff participated in a tour of south Los Angeles County beaches, which comprised of White Point/Royal Palms, Torrance, Redondo, Hermosa, and Manhattan Beaches. Highlights of the field trip included a presentation on the Clearwater Project, discussions on improvements scheduled for White Point Park, and a visit to the Lifeguard Training Headquarters.

4. ADJOURNMENT / NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Vice Chair Meister adjourned the meeting at 3:23 p.m.

The next regular Beach Commission meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Donalyn Anderson

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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
Capt. M. Love for
FROM: Gary Jones, Director

SUBJECT: ITEM 3A – COASTAL RESILIENCY PLAN

Staff will provide an update on the Department's coastal resilience efforts. Recent developments include the release of the Coastal Resilience Project Implementation Phase 1 – Feasibility Study interim report and a grant from the California Ocean Protection Council (OPC).

The Department received \$1 million in December from the OPC's Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program to support the development of the County's Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan. The plan is a collaborative effort to protect 16 County-operated beaches, as well as State and local resources, along 45 miles of world-renowned coastline from threats posed by sea level rise and climate change. The Department's news release on the subject resulted in media coverage from the Santa Monica Daily Press, SCVnews.com, Dredging Today, PDWire and Planetizen.

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Los Angeles County Secures \$1 Million Grant to Bolster Beach Resilience
Funding will help LA County protect 45 miles of coastline from sea level rise to ensure access for everyone.

Los Angeles, California — Dec. 19, 2024 — Los Angeles County will receive \$1 million from the California Ocean Protection Council (OPC) to advance coastal resilience efforts to protect the County's iconic beaches from climate change-accelerated erosion threats, the Department of Beaches and Harbors (DBH) announced today.

The OPC governing board voted unanimously on Dec. 10 to provide the much-needed grant of state funds to preserve the County's public beaches. The money from the OPC's Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program, which aims to equip California's coastal communities with the tools needed to combat climate threats, will support the development of the County's Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan (RCSAP). The plan is a collaborative effort to protect 16 County-operated beaches, as well as State and local resources, along 45 miles of world-renowned coastline from threats posed by sea level rise and climate change.

"This grant allows us to build on our existing Coastal Resilience Initiative and take a significant step toward ensuring that LA County's beaches remain resilient, accessible and sustainable for future generations," DBH Director Gary Jones said. "We're proud to collaborate with community stakeholders and experts in the field of coastal resilience to find solutions that address climate impacts while promoting equity, inclusivity and sustainability."

Erosion that robs beaches of sand occurs naturally, but its effects are accelerated by dynamic weather patterns spurred by climate change. In LA County and other parts of the State, the resulting powerful storms and heavy wave action have reduced the size of some beaches and increasingly threatened public beach access and amenities and other essential coastal infrastructure.

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DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS
NEWS RELEASE



In LA County, Zuma Beach loses approximately 3.6 feet of shoreline annually, Dockweiler erodes at a rate of 4.5 feet per year, and Redondo Beach faces narrowing challenges exacerbated by infrastructure disruptions. These findings underscore the urgent need for proactive coastal resilience measures.

“This funding secured from the state represents a major step forward in protecting and preserving our coastline for generations to come,” said Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, whose Third District includes Malibu. “With this vital partnership, we will advance the County's RCSAP, including design and robust community engagement for living shoreline projects across LA County. These efforts will protect our beaches and address the growing threats of climate change.”

The RCSAP is part of DBH's Coastal Resilience Initiative, which aims to tackle these pressing challenges systematically by leveraging local, State and Federal resources and deploying nature-based strategies, while fostering collaboration with partners and stakeholders to ensure a sustainable coast that adapts to serve current and future generations.

“This project exemplifies how targeted investments can have far-reaching impacts, from protecting vital ecosystems to ensuring safe, inclusive access to all residents,” said Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell, whose Second District includes Dockweiler State Beach. “It's a win for our environment, economy, and communities.”

Building on the foundational work of [DBH's 2023 Coastal Resilience Study](#), the RCSAP will integrate cutting-edge solutions, including living shorelines, sediment reuse and enhanced shoreline management strategies.

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NEWS RELEASE



Highlights of the RCSAP include:

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- **Holistic Approach:** The RCSAP will go beyond piecemeal solutions and consider how projects will benefit beaches in the Santa Monica Bay as a whole. This holistic approach, combined with the plan's focus on long-term sustainability, will ensure that the County's beaches remain accessible, resilient and vibrant for years to come.
- **A Collaborative Future for California's Coastline:** The RCSAP is part of a larger statewide effort to build resilience against sea level rise, supported by the OPC's Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program. By leveraging state funds and aligning with California's sea level rise adaptation goals, DBH continues to set the standard for regional collaboration and innovative coastal management.

The RCSAP will be implemented over two years, with an initial on stakeholder engagement and data collection. Subsequent phases will develop actionable strategies and implementation pathways to build long-term resilience. To ensure transparency and accountability, key updates will be shared with the public and stakeholders throughout the project.

For more information on DBH's work on coastal resilience, visit beaches.lacounty.gov/coastal-resilience.

About the Department of Beaches and Harbors

DBH manages Marina del Rey harbor and more than 24 miles of beaches along the Los Angeles County coast, including world-famous Zuma, Malibu Surfrider, Venice, Dockweiler and Manhattan beaches. In addition to promoting and maintaining a clean coastline, DBH operates Burton Chace Park in Marina del Rey and the Dockweiler Youth Center and Dockweiler RV Park at Dockweiler State Beach. For more information, visit our website at beaches.lacounty.gov.

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by Guest Author | December 21, 2024

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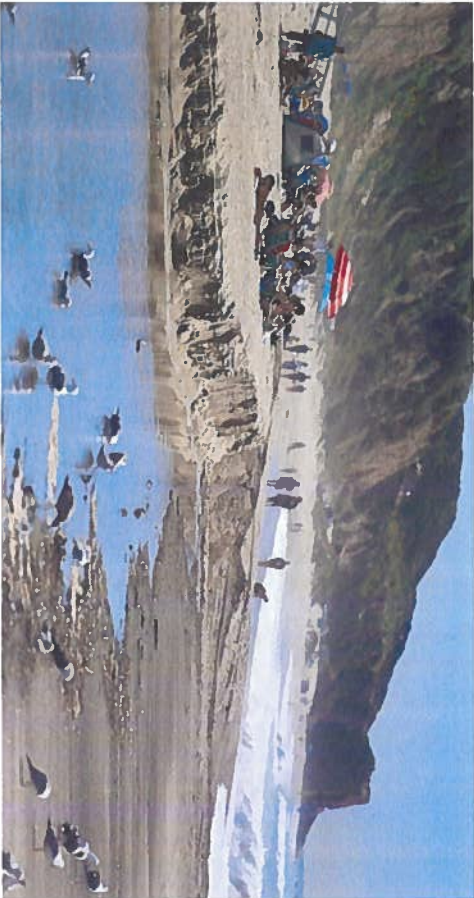
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Erosion caused by winter storms in the winter of 2016-2017 created steep natural berms along the tideline at Zuma Beach. (Courtesy Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors)

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Submitted by Nicole Mooradian



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L.A. County Secures \$1M Grant to Bolster Beach Resilience

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Erosion that robs beaches of sand occurs naturally, but its effects are accelerated by dynamic weather patterns spurred by climate change. In L.A. county and other parts of the state, the resulting powerful storms and heavy wave action have reduced the size of some beaches and increasingly threatened public beach access and amenities and other essential coastal infrastructure.

In L.A. County, Zuma Beach loses approximately 3.6 feet of shoreline annually. Dockweiler erodes at a rate of 4.5 feet per year, and Redondo Beach faces narrowing challenges exacerbated by infrastructure disruptions. These findings underscore the urgent need for proactive coastal resilience measures.

"This funding secured from the state represents a major step forward in protecting and preserving our coastline for generations to come," said Third District Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath. "With this vital partnership, we will advance the county's Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan, including design and robust community engagement for living shoreline projects across L.A. county. These efforts will protect our beaches and address the growing threats of climate change."

The Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan is part of Department of Beaches and Harbor's Coastal Resilience Initiative, which aims to tackle these pressing challenges systematically by leveraging local, State and Federal resources and deploying nature-based strategies, while fostering collaboration with partners and stakeholders to ensure a sustainable coast that adapts to serve current and future generations.

"This project exemplifies how targeted investments can have far-reaching impacts, from protecting vital ecosystems to ensuring safe, inclusive access to all residents," said Second District Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell. "It's a win for our environment, economy and communities."

Building on the foundational work of Department of Beaches and Harbor's 2023 Coastal Resilience Study, the Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan will integrate cutting-edge solutions, including living shorelines, sediment reuse and enhanced shoreline management strategies.

"Tropical Storm Hilary last year and the extreme rains this year drove home that there is no time to bury our heads in the sand about the impacts of climate change across L.A. county," said Fourth District Supervisor Janice Hahn. "It's up to us to take action against the threat of coastal erosion.

This grant is going to help us protect our beloved beaches for years to come."

The Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan will engage a broad coalition of stakeholders, including municipal partners, tribal organizations, community advocates and regional agencies. These partnerships will help design and implement strategies tailored to the unique challenges and opportunities of L.A. county's diverse coastal communities.

Highlights of the Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan include:

Community and Equity Focus: The project prioritizes equitable beach access for all, with a major focus on preserving coastal access for members of underserved inland communities disproportionately affected by extreme heat and limited recreational opportunities. The planning process will incorporate robust stakeholder engagement to ensure that diverse community voices shape the strategies for a sustainable coastline.

Holistic Approach: The RCSAP will go beyond piecemeal solutions and consider how projects will benefit beaches in the Santa Monica Bay as a whole. This holistic approach, combined with the plan's focus on long-term sustainability, will ensure that the County's beaches remain accessible, resilient and vibrant for years to come.

A Collaborative Future for California's Coastline: The Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan is part of a larger statewide effort to build resilience against sea level rise, supported by the OPC's Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program. By leveraging state funds and aligning with California's sea level rise adaptation goals, DBH continues to set the standard for regional collaboration and innovative coastal management.

The Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan will be implemented over two years, with an initial on stakeholder engagement and data collection. Subsequent phases will develop actionable strategies and implementation pathways to build long-term resilience. To ensure transparency and accountability, key updates will be shared with the public and stakeholders throughout the project.

For more information on Department of Beaches and Harbor's work on coastal resilience, visit beaches.lacounty.gov/coastal-resilience/.

Los Angeles County will receive \$1 million from the California Ocean Protection Council to advance coastal resilience efforts to protect the county's iconic beaches from climate change-accelerated erosion threats, the Department of Beaches and Harbors has announced.

The Ocean Protection Council governing board voted unanimously on Dec. 10 to provide the much-needed grant of state funds to preserve the county's public beaches. The money from the Ocean Protection Control's Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program, which aims to equip California's coastal communities with the tools needed to combat climate threats, will support the development of the county's Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan. The plan is a collaborative effort to protect 16 County-operated beaches, as well as State and local resources, along 45 miles of world-renowned coastline from threats posed by sea level rise and climate change.

"This grant allows us to build on our existing Coastal Resilience Initiative and take a significant step toward ensuring that L.A. County's beaches remain resilient, accessible and sustainable for future generations," Department of Beaches and Harbors Director Gary Jones said. "We're proud to collaborate with community stakeholders and experts in the field of coastal resilience to find solutions that address climate impacts while promoting equity, inclusivity and sustainability."



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Los Angeles County Secures Funding for Beach Protection

L.A. County is getting a \$1 million grant from the California Ocean Protection Council to develop a Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan to protect its beaches from climate change impacts while prioritizing equitable access and sustainability.

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By Clement Lau

Los Angeles County has secured a \$1 million grant from the California Ocean Protection Council (OPC) to bolster the resilience of its 45 miles of coastline against climate change-induced threats like erosion and sea level rise. The funding will support the County's Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan (RCSAP), a cornerstone of the Department of Beaches and Harbors' Coastal Resilience Initiative. This plan, informed by community engagement and cutting-edge nature-based strategies, will focus on protecting beaches such as Zuma, Dockweiler, and Redondo from accelerating erosion while ensuring equitable access for underserved communities.

The initiative addresses the urgency of preserving public beach access and safeguarding coastal infrastructure from extreme weather patterns exacerbated by climate change. Leaders like Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath and DBH Director Gary Jones



emphasize the importance of equity and inclusivity in advancing sustainable solutions. The RCSAP builds on the foundational work of a 2023 Coastal Resilience Study and incorporates innovative techniques like sediment reuse and living shorelines to adapt to the impacts of climate change systematically.

The RCSAP will unfold over two years, engaging a diverse coalition of stakeholders, including tribal organizations, community advocates, and municipal partners, to design and implement tailored

strategies. This effort aligns with California's broader sea level rise adaptation goals and exemplifies how targeted investments can protect vital ecosystems, ensure public access, and foster long-term sustainability.

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Los Angeles County secures grant to bolster beach resilience

BEACH NOURISHMENT

December 25, 2024, by Eldin Ganic

Los Angeles County will receive \$1 million from the California Ocean Protection Council (OPC) to advance coastal resilience efforts to protect the County's iconic beaches from climate change-accelerated erosion threats, the Department of Beaches and Harbors (DBH) said.

The OPC governing board voted unanimously on Dec. 10 to provide the much-needed grant of state funds to preserve the County's public beaches.

The money from the OPC's Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program, which aims to equip California's coastal communities with the tools needed to combat climate threats, will support the development of the County's Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan (RCSAP).

"This grant allows us to build on our existing Coastal Resilience Initiative and take a significant step toward ensuring that LA County's beaches remain resilient, accessible and sustainable for future generations," DBH Director **Gary Jones** said.

Building on the foundational work of DBH's 2023 Coastal Resilience Study, the RCSAP will integrate cutting-edge solutions, including living shorelines, **sediment reuse** and enhanced shoreline management strategies.

The RCSAP is set to be implemented over two years, with an initial on stakeholder engagement and data collection.



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Los Angeles County Secures \$1 Million to Protect Beaches from Climate Change

by **Sammy Rodriguez**

Los Angeles County has received a \$1 million grant from the California Ocean Protection Council (OPC) to enhance coastal resilience and address the impacts of climate change, particularly the growing threat of beach erosion. The funding will support the creation of the County's Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan (RCSAP), a key initiative to protect and preserve its iconic beaches.

State Grant Aimed at Combating Coastal Erosion

The California Ocean Protection Council unannouncedly approved the grant on December 10, as part of its Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program. This program is designed to provide California's coastal communities with resources to address the challenges of sea-level rise and climate change.

The grant will focus on safeguarding public beaches across Los Angeles County, ensuring they remain accessible, resilient, and sustainable for future generations.

Developing the Regional Coastal Strategic Adaptation Plan (RCSAP)

The \$1 million in funding will drive the development of the RCSAP, a comprehensive plan designed to combat erosion and adapt to the impacts of rising sea levels.

"This grant allows us to build on our existing Coastal Resilience Initiative and take a significant step toward ensuring that LA County's beaches remain resilient, accessible, and sustainable for future generations," said Gary Jones, Director of

the Department of Beaches and Harbors (DBH).

The RCSAP builds upon the findings of DBH's 2023 Coastal Resilience Study and incorporates state-of-the-art solutions, including:

- **Living shorelines:** Nature-based solutions to stabilize coastlines.
- **Sediment reuse:** Innovative approaches to manage and repurpose coastal sediment.
- **Enhanced shoreline management:** Strategies to protect beaches and mitigate erosion.

Focus on Stakeholder Engagement and Data Collection

The two-year implementation of the RCSAP will begin with extensive stakeholder engagement and data collection. This phase will ensure that diverse perspectives are considered and that the adaptation plan is informed by the latest scientific research and local insights.

By engaging with stakeholders and utilizing cutting-edge strategies, Los Angeles County aims to set an example for other coastal communities facing similar climate challenges.

Why Coastal Resilience Matters for Los Angeles County

Los Angeles County's beaches are not only a



cultural and recreational asset but also a critical economic driver for the region. Climate change, rising sea levels, and erosion pose significant threats to these public spaces, emphasizing the need for proactive solutions like the RCSAP.

This grant-funded initiative is a crucial step in preserving the County's beaches and ensuring they remain a vibrant part of the community for generations to come.

Conclusion

With this \$1 million grant from the OPC, Los Angeles County is taking bold action to address climate change impacts and protect its beaches. By investing in innovative coastal resilience strategies, the County is paving the way for a more sustainable and climate-resilient future.



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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
Celani M. Love for
FROM: Gary Jones, Director
SUBJECT: **ITEM 4B – PALISADES FIRE**

Staff will provide an update on fire damage related to the Department of Beaches and Harbors' operations and facilities.

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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Catherine M. Love for*
Gary Jones, Director

SUBJECT: ITEM 4C – REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF BEACH SEPTIC TANK SYSTEMS

Item 4C on your agenda pertains to the Department of Beaches and Harbors' (Department) request for approval from the Board of Supervisors (Board) to allow the Internal Services Department (ISD) to act as the County's Purchasing Agent to solicit and acquire repair and maintenance services for five beach septic tank systems. The restroom systems in need of repair and maintenance are located along the Malibu coastline at Zuma, Topanga, and Dan Blocker Beaches and have an estimated total cost of \$1,000,000.

The recommended action will allow for the maintenance and repair of the Department's five aging septic tank systems. The action will also promote and further the County's Strategic Plan North Star 2, Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities in the Focus Area Goal of Public Health as well as Community Connections, and North Star 3, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today in the Focus Area Goal of Flexible and Efficient Infrastructure by ensuring the Department can continue to provide clean, safe, and sanitary conditions for the public's enjoyment at County-operated beaches.

The attached Board letter provides details relating to the request. Your Commission's endorsement of the recommendation that the Board authorize ISD to proceed with acquiring the necessary services is requested.

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Attachment





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February 4, 2025

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF FIVE SEPTIC TANK SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF
MALIBU AND UNINCORPORATED SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE
(THIRD DISTRICT)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Department of Beaches and Harbors is seeking Board of Supervisors (Board) approval to authorize the Director of the Internal Services Department, as the County's Purchasing Agent, to solicit and acquire repair and maintenance services for five beach septic systems at a total cost of approximately \$1,000,000.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, for the reasons stated in this Board letter and in the record of the proposed project.
2. Authorize the Director of the Internal Services Department, as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the acquisition of maintenance and repairs services to five septic systems along the Malibu coastline at a total estimated cost of \$1,000,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find that the septic system repair and maintenance activities are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)



and allow the Director of the Internal Services Department to procure septic system repair and maintenance services on behalf of the Department of Beaches and Harbors (DBH). DBH is responsible for operating and maintaining 18 septic systems that span 63 miles of coastline, from Royal Palms Beach in San Pedro to Zuma Beach in Malibu, and serving thousands of beachgoers annually. These systems have large septic tanks that can hold between 2,000 gallons and 15,000 gallons.

Currently, 11 of the 18 restrooms are closed due to various issues with the septic systems, ten of which are located along the Malibu coastline. Of the 11 locations that are currently closed, DBH has identified five locations that require critical maintenance and repairs.

Critical maintenance and repairs to septic systems include repairing the primary tanks, the recirculation tanks, and the dosing tanks. This includes replacing floats and pumps, rewiring electrical components inside the tanks, and ensuring connections are watertight. Other tasks include installing new PVC check valve relief and piping, adding new blenders and chemical pumps, setting up new UV lights and housings, upgrading computer motherboards and flow meters, and the cleaning of filters and screens.

Maintaining and repairing these septic systems is essential for the health and safety of beachgoers and to meet the clean water standards set by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board. As such, the closure of public restrooms due to septic system issues constitutes an emergency in that it demands immediate action to prevent or mitigate loss of essential public services. It is imperative that the septic system repair and maintenance services be procured so that the associated public restroom buildings can be reopened to support the extremely high numbers of visitors to Los Angeles County's beaches along the Malibu coastline.

Closure of the restrooms due to septic system issues creates a risk to public health, safety, and/or welfare. Although portable chemical toilets are deployed on a temporary basis, portable toilets must be serviced by vendors up to three times weekly and are more vulnerable to vandalism and potential overflows which can pose a public health risk and threaten water quality in the Santa Monica Bay. For these reasons, procurement of the septic repair and maintenance services is recommended to facilitate the reopening of beach restroom facilities.

Pursuant to County Policy, Board approval is required for any services where the cost is \$200,000 or greater annually.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The repair of the DBH's five aging septic systems will promote and further the County's Strategic Plan North Star 2, Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities in the Focus Area Goal of Public Health as well as Community Connections, and North Star 3, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today in the Focus Area Goal of Flexible and Efficient

Infrastructure by ensuring the Department can continue to provide clean, safe, and sanitary conditions for the public's enjoyment at County-operated beaches.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost for repairing the identified septic systems along the Malibu coastline is currently estimated at \$1,000,000. These repairs will restore the existing non-operational septic tanks and allow the reopening of the associated restrooms. Any additional repair work will be funded through the existing DBH operational budget on an as-needed basis.

There is sufficient funding in DBH's Fiscal Year 2024-25 Final Adopted Budget to cover the total repairs requested. No additional Net County Cost (NCC) is required.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This request complies with the maximum contracting authority set forth in Section 25502.5 of the California Government Code and approved by your Board on July 16, 2019. This Government Code Section and policy require that departments obtain Board approval to contract services, with or without the furnishing of material, when the annual aggregate cost exceeds \$200,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed action, to the extent that it is considered a "Project" under the CEQA laws, is exempt from CEQA.

The repair and maintenance services to the septic tank systems are categorically exempt from CEQA as they include no expansion in use, and are within a class of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in sections 15301(d) and 15302(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines ("Guidelines") and Classes 1 and 2 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make the exemptions inapplicable based on the project records.

The proposed activities are also statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to section 21080(b) of the State Public Resources Code and section 15269(b) and (c) of the CEQA Guidelines because approval of repair and maintenance services for the septic tanks is necessary to prevent an emergency. The proposed activities would provide for emergency repairs to publicly owned facilities necessary to maintain services essential to the public health, safety, or welfare. The specific actions to repair the septic systems are necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency whereas the anticipated period of time to conduct an environmental review would create a risk to public health, safety, or welfare;

are minor alterations to existing facilities; and replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involve negligible, or no expansion of capacity and the replacement systems will be located on the same site.

Upon the Board's approval of the recommended actions, DBH will file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk in accordance with section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The acquisition and purchase of these services is under the statutory authority of the County Purchasing Agent. The acquisition will be competitively solicited in accordance with the standard County Purchasing policies and procedures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Your approval will ensure that the Department of Beaches and Harbors can continue to maintain County-owned or County managed beaches clean and safe with adequate restroom facilities available for public use.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, authorize the Executive Office of the Board to send an adopted copy of the Board letter to the Department of Beaches and Harbors.

Respectfully submitted,

GARY JONES
Director

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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Catherine M. Lovefox*
Gary Jones, Director

SUBJECT: ITEM 4D – CLEARWATER PROJECT AT ROYAL PALMS BEACH

The Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (Districts) manage the wastewater (sewage) system that serves more than 5 million residents in Los Angeles County. At the heart of the system is the Districts' largest wastewater treatment plant, the A.K. Warren Water Resource Facility in Carson. A vital part of the Warren Facility are the tunnels that convey the cleaned wastewater from Carson to the ocean.

The Clearwater Project addresses aging infrastructure and protects local waterways through the construction of a new, 7-mile underground tunnel from the Warren Facility to the existing ocean outfalls at Royal Palms Beach. Construction of the new tunnel, which is designed to run almost entirely beneath public streets, began in 2019. It is expected to be completed by 2029 and will ensure a safer, more reliable system for future generations.

The District will provide a presentation detailing the project's purpose, highlight the progress made so far, and outline what remains to be accomplished.

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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: Gary Jones, Director *Cabin M. Lee for*
SUBJECT: **ITEM 5A - ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT**

BOARD ACTIONS ON ITEMS RELATING TO BEACHES

On July 16, 2024, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors waived \$4,000 in parking fees for up to 500 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at the Dockweiler Youth Center parking lot for participants of the Ocean Lifeguard Candidate Swim hosted by the County Fire Department and held on October 12, 2024.

On July 23, 2024, the Board approved and authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to execute an amendment to an existing lease for Parcel 200 in Marina del Rey with Southern California Edison (SCE) to adjust SCE's annual rent and the insurance requirements; authorized the Director to execute any other ancillary documentation necessary to effectuate the terms of the amendment and take actions necessary and appropriate to implement the proposed amendment; and found that the proposed actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

Also on July 23, 2024, the Board waived \$2,574 in parking fees for two spaces, excluding the cost of liability insurance, in the parking lot at 2100 Ocean Front Walk in Venice for staff of the Safety Ambassadors program from July 23, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

On August 6, 2024, the Board waived up to \$26,015 in parking fees for 55 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Torrance Beach for students and teachers attending surf classes sponsored by Palos Verdes High School, to be held Monday through Friday from August 19, 2024, through June 27, 2025.

Also on August 6, 2024, the Board waived up to \$15,500 in parking fees for 35 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Torrance Beach for students and teachers



attending surf classes sponsored by Palos Verdes Peninsula High School, to be held Monday through Friday from August 19, 2024, through June 27, 2025.

Also on August 6, 2024, the Board waived up to \$15,500 in parking fees for 35 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Torrance Beach for students and teachers attending surf classes sponsored by Torrance High School, to be held Monday through Friday from August 19, 2024, through June 27, 2025.

Also on August 6, 2024, the Board authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to negotiate and execute a right of entry permit, on a gratis basis, for a term of one year with two 12-month renewal options, and waived \$4,080 in parking fees for three vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for "The Shower of Hope" staff and mobile shower trailer, which operates weekly on Thursdays from August 1, 2024 until July 31, 2026.

Also on August 6, 2024, the Board approved the use of Will Rogers State Beach for surfing classes by Palisades Charter High School's Physical Education Program and waived \$9,750 in parking fees for 30 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Will Rogers State Beach for attendees of the surf classes from September 2024 through June 2025.

Also on August 6, 2024, the Board waived parking fees for approximately 7,000 vehicles for volunteers and support staff at County-operated beach parking lots, excluding the cost of liability insurance, and contingent upon submission of the list of beach sites and expected numbers of volunteers at each location to the Department of Beaches and Harbors no later than August 15, 2024, for the Annual California Coastal Cleanup Day hosted by Heal the Bay, held September 21, 2024.

Also on August 6, 2024, the Board approved the Mother's Beach Restroom and Non-Motorized Boat Storage Project, Capital Project No. 89109 (Project), with a total project budget of \$4,800,000; approved an appropriation adjustment to transfer \$150,000 from the Marina Replacement Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund, and \$4,300,000 from the obligated fund balance committed for American Rescue Plan-Enabled Capital Programs, via Project and Facility Development budget unit, to the proposed Project; adopted plans and specifications that are on file with Public Works for construction of the Project; advertised for bids to be received and opened on September 10, 2024 by 11:00 a.m.; found that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; and authorized the Director of Public Works to take the following actions:

Execute a consultant services agreement with the apparent lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder to prepare a baseline construction schedule for an amount not to exceed \$5,000, funded by the existing Project funds;

Determine that a bid is nonresponsive and reject a bid on that basis, waive inconsequential and nonmaterial deficiencies in bids submitted, determine, in accordance with applicable contract and bid, documents, whether the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder has satisfied all conditions in a timely manner for contract award, award and execute to the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder if the low bid can be awarded within the approved total project budget, and to take all other actions necessary and appropriate to deliver the Project; and

Authorize the Director of Beaches and Harbors to waive the Right-of-Entry Permit and parking fees for the proposed Project.

On September 10, 2024, the Board retroactively waived the permit fee of \$250, the \$13 per vehicle parking fee for 275 vehicles, totaling \$3,575, and \$412.50 in gross receipts fees, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Dockweiler State Beach in Playa del Rey for the Phoenix House California "5K Walk for Overdose Awareness," held September 7, 2024.

Also on September 10, 2024, the Board retroactively waived the \$5,000 gross receipts fee, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Redondo Beach for the 6th Annual Redondo Beach "Swim the Avenues" event, held September 8, 2024.

Also on September 10, 2024, the Board waived \$5,000 in gross receipts fees, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Manhattan Beach for the PS I Love You Foundation's 23rd Annual "Day at the Beach Community Celebration" event, held September 14, 2024.

Also on September 10, 2024, the Board waived the \$3,497 gross receipts fee, \$78 in parking fees for six vehicles on September 14, 2024, \$1,300 in parking fees for 100 vehicles on September 15, 2024, and reduced the beach use permit fee to \$125, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Dockweiler State Beach in Playa del Rey, for Sharsheret's Third Annual West Coast Dash 5K/10K Family Fun Race and Event Festival, held on September 15, 2024.

Also on September 10, 2024, the Board retroactively waived up to \$23,350 in parking fees for 50 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Torrance Beach for students and teachers attending surf classes sponsored by West Torrance High School from August 26, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

On September 24, 2024, the Board retroactively waived \$390 in parking fees for 30 vehicles on September 21, 2024, and \$240 in parking fees for 30 vehicles on October 12, 2024, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Dockweiler State Beach for "Pan African Beach Day."

On October 8, 2024, the Board acting as the Governing Body of the County Flood Control District (District), found that the Minimum Performance Criteria (MPC) for the Ballona

Creek Trash Interceptor (Interceptor) Pilot Project (Project) had been met; established and approved the Project, and instructed the Director of Public Works to implement the Project:

Authorized the Chief Engineer of the District to execute a bill of sale on behalf of the District, memorializing the transfer of ownership of the Interceptor from The Ocean Cleanup (TOC) to the District, negotiate and enter into an agreement with TOC, establishing roles and responsibilities of each party for collaboration related to the implementation of the Project, and amend the agreement to adjust the parties' roles and responsibilities, as the Chief Engineer determines would be beneficial to the District's operation of the Project; and

Found that approval of the Project and other actions herein, including a determination related to MPC for the Project, and delegation of authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to negotiate and enter into the proposed agreement with TOC, are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

On October 22, 2024, the Board waived the \$38,250 gross receipts fee, contingent upon submission of any and all documents requested by the Department of Beaches and Harbors in order to conduct an audit of the organization, with the Director of Beaches and Harbors to consult with the Auditor-Controller, as necessary, and reduce the parking fees to \$5, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Malibu Moves 5K, Half Marathon, and Kids Run event, as follows:

Approximately 662 vehicles for set up at Zuma Beach from October 25 through 27, 2024; and

Approximately 1,371 vehicles at the Zuma Beach and Point Dume parking lots on October 27, 2024.

Also on October 22, 2024 the Board proclaimed November 2024 as "Native American Heritage Month" throughout Los Angeles County, and encouraged County Departments and residents to participate in Native American Heritage Month events and programming; acknowledged and celebrated Kenny Ramos - Spirit of Creativity, Cynthia Ruiz - Spirit of Community, and Chief Anthony Morales - Spirit of Tradition, as this year's Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission (LANAIC) honorees; and took the following actions:

Adopted the findings from LANAIC "WE ARE STILL HERE": A Report on Past, Present, and Ongoing Harms Against Local Tribes and further find that extending access to American Indian and Alaska Native community members to key County assets, such as museums and beaches, from which they historically have been excluded, as a small token of the County's commitment to addressing discrimination against the American Indian and

Alaska Native community by the government, serves a direct and substantial public purpose;

Instructed the Directors of the Natural History Museum, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Beaches and Harbors, Parks and Recreation, the County Librarian, and other relevant Department Heads, in coordination with the Director of Racial Equity, to provide free access for one day on or about, and in celebration of, Native American Heritage Month, to appropriate facilities (such as museums and beach parking) for American Indian and Alaska Native community members; and

Directed the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of Arts and Culture to determine the feasibility of funding a new Office of Tribal Affairs and include funding in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget; and

Instructed the Director of Arts and Culture to work with the Chief Executive Officer and County Counsel to initiate renegotiation of the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Los Angeles and the County, establishing the LANAIC with the goals of increasing parity of committed resources by the City of Los Angeles and the County, and updating and clarifying roles and responsibilities of the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles in the operations of LANAIC.

Also on October 22, 2024, the Board waived the \$5,000 gross receipts fee, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at Dockweiler State Beach in Playa del Rey for the "Cal Tri LA" event, held October 20, 2024.

On November 6, 2024, the Board waived the \$250 beach use permit fee and the \$2,981.25 gross receipts fee for the Heroes of Hope Race for Brain Tumor Research held November 10, 2024. The Board also waived \$45 in parking fees for five volunteers for event set up on November 9, 2024, and additional parking fees of \$1,710 for up to 190 volunteers and participants on Sunday, November 10, 2024, excluding the cost of liability insurance.

Also on November 6, 2024, the Board found that the services to be provided by the Marine Mammal Care Center (MMCC) are necessary to meet the social needs of the County and serve public purposes which benefit the County;

Authorized the Director of Beaches and Harbors to negotiate and execute a right of entry permit, on a gratis basis, for a term of 10 years that includes one additional two-year term upon confirmation from MMCC to the satisfaction of the Director that it has the necessary permits and authority to conduct the activities outlined in the right of entry permit, execute other ancillary documentation necessary to effectuate the right of entry permit, and take any other actions necessary and appropriate to implement and effectuate the right of entry permit; and

Found that the approval of the proposed actions are either not a project, or are exempt, from the California Environmental Quality Act.

On November 26, 2024, the Board waived an estimated \$10,644 in parking fees at the Zuma Beach parking lot, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for The People Concern outreach team, Venice Family Clinic, and Department of Mental Health staff, Monday through Friday, from November 14, 2024, to November 24, 2025.

Also on November 26, 2024, the Board waived \$1,166.25 in visitors boat dock fees, \$397.50 in community building fees, \$80 in parking fees for 10 vehicles at Lot 4, \$300 in parking fees for 50 vehicles at Lot 7, \$300 in parking fees for 50 vehicles at Lot 9, and \$841 for the right of entry permit fee, excluding the cost of liability insurance, in Marina del Rey, for the 62nd Annual Holiday Boat Parade, held on December 14, 2024.

On January 7, 2025, the Board instructed the Chief Sustainability Officer, in coordination with the Chief Executive Officer, the Directors of Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Beaches and Harbors, and the Fire Chief, to report back to the Board in writing in 90 days with the following:

A description of the eligible project categories in Proposition 4: The Climate Bond, which authorizes a \$10,000,000,000 State bond to fund natural resources and climate resilience projects, whether funding will be based on formulas or competitive processes, and expected programming they can support;

A list of priority projects and initiatives from each Department that will be seeking funding from Proposition 4;

An explanation of the criteria used to evaluate the project's priority position and how it relates to the County's targets outlined in OurCounty Sustainability Plan and other equity-informed climate action plans, such as Climate Ready Communities, Heat Action Plan, etc.; and

Estimated costs and timelines for projects and initiatives.

Additionally, the Board instructed the Chief Sustainability Officer, in collaboration with the Directors of Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and Beaches and Harbors, the Fire Chief, and the Chief Executive Officer, through the Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations Branch, to advocate on behalf of the County to relevant State stakeholders regarding Proposition 4 implementation and grant guidelines.

Also on January 7, 2025, the Board waived parking fees in an amount not to exceed \$47,325 for 25 vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at the Rose Avenue

parking lot located at 300 Ocean Front Walk, for the Departments of Mental Health and Health Services, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, Venice Community Clinics, and St. Joseph's Center staff parking for the Venice Ocean Front Walk Homeless Outreach Pilot Program, to be held Monday through Friday from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

Also on January 7, 2025, the Board waived \$6,384 in parking fees for two vehicles, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at 2100 Ocean Front Walk, 300 Ocean Front Walk, or 3100 Ocean Front Walk, for the City of Los Angeles' Crisis and Incident through Community-Led Engagement teams, from January 31, 2025, through January 29, 2026.



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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
Catherine M. Love from
FROM: Gary Jones, Director
SUBJECT: **ITEM 5B – BEACH AND MARINA DEL REY SPECIAL EVENTS**

BEACH EVENTS

DOCKWEILER YOUTH CENTER ZUMBA CLASS

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar ♦ Playa del Rey
Tuesdays
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE

Come join the Department of Beaches and Harbors' (Department) Zumba class at the Dockweiler Youth Center. Get cardio-fit at the beach while moving to the rhythms of Latin-inspired dance and music! Each class is limited to 20 people. Pre-registration for each class is required.

For registration or information: Call (310) 726-4128 or email dyc@bh.lacounty.gov

DOCKWEILER YOUTH CENTER YOGA CLASS

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar ♦ Playa del Rey
Fridays
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE



Visit the Dockweiler Youth Center for a yoga session at the beach to connect with nature and community. Yoga classes are offered to all, regardless of age or ability on Fridays for free with instructor David Lilly. Classes focus on improving flexibility, strength, and overall well-being. Children should be able to follow along or sit quietly with a parent or guardian. Students must bring their own mats, water, and sunscreen. Pre-registration for each class is required.

For more information: Call (310) 726-4128 or email dyc@bh.lacounty.gov

NOTHIN' BUT SAND BEACH CLEANUP

Venice Beach Pier, Tower Buccaneer ♦ 3100 Ocean Front Walk ♦ Venice Beach
January 18, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Help keep the oceans clean and safe from harmful trash at this monthly beach cleanup. Volunteers under 18 years old must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian, and those age 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Bags and gloves will be provided. However, you can help make Nothin' But Sand beach cleanup a zero-waste event by bringing your own buckets, garden gloves, and water.

Cleanups are held on the third Saturday of each month. Heal the Bay will provide registered participants with the cleanup location on or before the 1st of every month via email confirmation.

For more information and to register: Visit healthebay.org

VENICE OCEANARIUM GRUNION PARTY

Venice Breakwater ♦ Venice Beach
Friday, June 13, 2025
10:30 p.m.

The Venice Oceanarium is sponsoring a free Grunion Party! An information booth will be on the beach at the Breakwater to answer questions, and will display and hatch grunion eggs, which will be released into the ocean.

For more information: Visit veniceoceanarium.org

MARINA DEL REY EVENTS

BURTON CHACE PARK YOGA CLASS

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Mondays
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE

Enjoy a yoga session at the water's edge. Yoga classes are offered to all, regardless of age or ability on Mondays for free with instructor David Lilly. Classes focus on improving flexibility, strength, and overall well-being. Children should be able to follow along or sit quietly with a parent or guardian. Students must bring their own mats, water, and sunscreen. Pre-registration for each class is required.

For registration or details: Call (424) 526-7910 or email chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov

BURTON CHACE PARK WALKING CLUB

Burton Chace Park ♦ Lobby ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Tuesdays and Thursdays
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Cost: FREE

Looking for a new way to exercise? The Department offers a weekly walking group to help you increase your heart rate and daily step count while taking in beautiful views of the Marina del Rey harbor. Registration is required.

For registration or details: Call (424) 526-7910 or email chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov

SANDY BRUSHES DRAWING & PAINTING CLASS

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Wednesdays
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE

The Department offers a free drawing and watercolor painting class for beginners (age 14 and older). Classes are limited to 10 people and supplies are provided. Pre-registration for each class is required.

For registration or details: Call (424) 526-7910 or email chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov

BURTON CHACE PARK ZUMBA CLASS

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Thursdays
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE

Ditch your boring workout and join the Department's free Zumba class at Burton Chace Park to get cardio-fit while moving to the rhythms of Latin-inspired dance and music! Each class is limited to 20 people. Pre-registration for each class is required.

For registration or details: Call (424) 526-7910 or email chacepark@bh.lacounty.gov

MARINA DEL REY FARMERS' MARKET

Lot #11 ♦ 14101 Panay Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Saturdays
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Each Saturday, the Department and Southland Farmers' Market Association present the Marina del Rey Farmers' Market, offering fresh, locally grown fruits and veggies (organic and conventional). Also, enjoy delicious prepared and prepackaged foods, and shop for artisanal crafts from local small vendors. Paid parking is available for 50 cents for every 15 minutes.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7900 or visit [instagram.com/marinadelreyfm/](https://www.instagram.com/marinadelreyfm/)

COVID-19 VACCINE AND FLU SHOT CLINIC

Burton Chace Park Community Room ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Tuesday, January 28, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Cost: FREE

This COVID-19 Vaccine and Flu Shot Clinic is open to everyone 6 months and older, regardless of insurance or immigration status. Minors must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Appointments are available starting two weeks before clinic date at bit.ly/dbhvaccine. Walk-ups are welcome!

Vaccine available:

- Updated COVID-19 vaccine
- Flu shots

For more information: Email cms@bh.lacounty.gov

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND E-WASTE ROUNDUP

Dock 52 Parking Lot ♦ 13483 Fiji Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Saturday, February 15, 2025
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles are sponsoring the annual Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic-Waste Roundup collection event for the proper disposal of environmentally harmful household substances and electronic waste.

For more information: Call Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County at (800) 238-0173 or visit LACSD.org/HHW

MARINA DEL REY DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

Burton Chace Park ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Saturday, March 1, 2025
8:00 a.m.

Join the Los Angeles County Dragon Boat Club, in collaboration with the Department, for the Marina del Rey Dragon Boat Festival at Burton Chace Park! This free event will feature local and out-of-state dragon boat teams and clubs competing to be the fastest boat on the water. Spectators are encouraged to cheer and watch the races from Burton Chace Park.

For more information: Visit losangelescountdragonboatfestival.com

LOS ANGELES COUNTY BLOOD DRIVE

Burton Chace Park Community Room ♦ 13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Thursday, March 13, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Take part in this lifesaving blood drive hosted by the Department. Please remember to eat well and increase your fluid intake a couple of days before and on the day of your donation appointment. A photo ID is required.

To schedule your donation, visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: LACBH or contact Patrick Hogg at patrickhogg@bh.lacounty.gov

For more information: Call (800) RED-CROSS

W.A.T.E.R. PROGRAM SPRING SAILING CLASSES

Boathouse - Burton Chace Park ♦ 13640 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey

Los Angeles County Lifeguards instruct the Department's sailing courses that teach students basic sailing knowledge and terms, boat maintenance and rigging, knot tying, tacking, docking and instruction to ocean sailing. Students learn to sail on 14-foot Capri sailboats (with main sail and jib) and Laser sailboats.

Financial aid is available for qualified families. Please call for details.

2025 SPRING SESSION | BEGINNER AND INTERMEDIATE LEVEL:

Dates: April 14 -18

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Ages: 11–17 years old

Class Size: 6–10 students with 3 Lifeguard instructors

Fee: \$375 per 5-day session

NOTE: Applicants must successfully complete a 100-yard swim test in 2 minutes and 20 seconds to be eligible.

For more information: Call (424) 526-7888 or visit beaches.lacounty.gov/waterprogram

SUNSET SERIES REGATTAS

Marina del Rey

Wednesdays, April 16 - September 3, 2025

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Spectators from restaurants can watch boats race along the Marina del Rey harbor on Wednesday evenings between 6:00 p.m. (sailboats leaving the harbor) and 8:00 p.m. (race finishes at California Yacht Club).

For more information: Visit calyachtclub.com/regatta



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January 22, 2025

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Captain Michael Fox*
Gary Jones, Director
SUBJECT: **ITEM 5C – BEACH PROJECTS REPORT**

Item 5C on your agenda provides the Commission with a summary of the Department's beach projects that exceed \$50,000 and are being planned, designed, or under construction.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3

- Point Dume Whale Watching Area – Refurbishment of accessway - estimated cost \$1,000,000.
- Topanga Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- Will Rogers Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- Blue Flag Update - Blue Flag eco-award applied for Westward Beach
- Zuma Beach – Renovate restrooms (#2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, and #9) – estimated cost \$9,689,000.
- Zuma Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- Venice Beach – Maintenance yard and Lifeguard Headquarters renovation - estimated cost TBD.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2

- Dockweiler Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- Redondo Beach – Replace Avenue A access ramp – estimated cost \$6,800,000.
- Redondo Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4

- Torrance Beach – Beach concession rehabilitation – Completed.
- Torrance Beach – Installation of electric vehicle supply equipment.
- White Point Park – Refurbishment of existing park – estimated cost \$4,000,000.



SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3

Blue Flag Update

In April 2024, for the second year in a row, the Department was awarded the Blue Flag eco-award for the portion of Zuma Beach commonly referred to as Westward Beach. The flag was flown during the Blue Flag summer season from May 1, 2024, to September 30, 2024. Blue Flag is a voluntary international eco-award program for beaches, marinas, and tourism boats, which promotes environmental education and information, environmental management, safety and services, social responsibility, and responsible tourism.

Status: In December 2024, the Department applied for Westward Beach to receive the award for the 2025 beach season. Final determinations for 2025 Blue Flag awards will be released by the Blue Flag International Jury in late April 2025.

Point Dume Whale Watching Area– \$1,000,000

The Project includes repair of stairs, fencing, handrails, and eroded trail, refurbishment of the trail entrance, replacement of benches, removal of vegetation overgrowth, and installation of signage.

Status: Tetra Consultant Tech completed the survey work in December 2024. By February 2025 the County Recordation and Record of Survey will be submitted to the County surveyor for review and approval. The project board letter is on the January 21, 2025, board agenda. The California Conservation Corps is to begin work in March 2025.

Topanga Beach EVSE Project

The project includes installation of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) for twenty-two vehicles within the existing parking lot, utilizing Southern California Edison's (SCE) Charge Ready 2 Program funding.

Status: Construction began in October 2024 and is scheduled to be completed in March 2025.

Will Rogers Maintenance Yard Fleet EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for four fleet vehicles within the Will Rogers Maintenance Yard, utilizing funds provided by the County of Los Angeles Internal Services Department (ISD) through the County's Energy Efficiency Projects Master Agreement budget.

Status: During the Palisades fire the Will Rogers maintenance facility was lost. The EVSE project will be reevaluated and incorporated in future plans.

Zuma Beach Restrooms Renovation (#2, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, and #9) – \$9,689,000

The project includes deferred maintenance structural repairs, building accessibility improvements, replacing plumbing, electrical, and new exterior, and interior finishes.

Status: Restroom #2 scheduled to be completed by the end of January 2025. Restrooms #8 and #9 is anticipated to be completed by June 2025. Restrooms #3, #4, #6, #5 and #7 are completed.

Zuma Beach Maintenance Yard Fleet Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for six fleet vehicles within the Zuma Beach Maintenance Yard, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready Transport Program funding. Under the SCE Charge Ready Transport Program, SCE designs, constructs, and installs the necessary infrastructure on both the utility-side and customer-side of the electric meter.

Status: The final design is complete, and the project is in the utility coordination phase.

Venice Beach Maintenance Yard and Lifeguard Headquarters Renovation – \$2,846,000

On April 26, 2024, the Venice Beach Maintenance Yard and Lifeguard Headquarters building was designated by the City of Los Angeles a historic cultural monument. The project is being reevaluated to determine the structural repairs required.

Status: The Department is working with a design consultant to determine the scope and estimated costs of structural and other repairs to preserve the facility and its current uses including its second and third levels as non-occupied spaces.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2

Dockweiler Maintenance Yard Fleet EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for four fleet vehicles within the Dockweiler Maintenance Yard, utilizing funding provided by ISD through the County's Energy Efficiency Projects Master Agreement budget.

Status: The project is in the design and utility company coordination phase.

Redondo Beach Avenue 'A' Access Ramp – \$6,800,000

The project consists of designing, permitting, and construction of an ADA-accessible replacement pedestrian access ramp to Redondo Beach from Esplanade at Avenue A.

Status: The existing ramp was closed in November 2021 after the County's consultant engineer concluded that the ramp was in deteriorating condition. The Department has engaged an environmental consulting firm to prepare an initial study for the project with the anticipated completion in February 2025. The Department is continually coordinating with the City of Redondo Beach and Coastal Commission.

Redondo Beach Warehouse Fleet EVSE Project

The project includes installation of EVSE for six fleet vehicles within the Redondo Beach Warehouse parking lot, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready Transport Program funding.

Status: The project is in the design and utility company coordination phase.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4

Torrance Beach Concession Building Rehabilitation – \$963,000

The project includes general rehabilitation of the existing building by replacing flat roofing; repairing and replacing roof rafter hangers at four corners of hip roof and repairing broken clay tile pieces; HVAC and exhaust equipment replacement; patching stucco at rear of building; and repainting the patch stucco to match exterior.

Status: Project was completed July 2024.

Torrance Beach Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment

The project includes installation of EVSE for 50 vehicles within the existing parking lot, utilizing SCE's Charge Ready 2 Program funding.

Status: Construction began in November 2024 and is scheduled to be completed in April 2025.

White Point Park Improvement Project - \$4,000,000

The scope of work includes replacing the existing landscaping with California natives and drought tolerant plants, implementing a demonstration area, replacing the entry park monument sign, upgrading the irrigation system, upgrading the children's play area, providing fitness equipment, installing benches at key vista points, and updating interpretive signage.

Status: The project is in the design phase. The Department's as-needed consultant, Placeworks, is currently developing 50% construction drawings to be completed mid-January 2025.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION ATTENDANCE REPORT 2024

Commissioner/ Appointed by	Jan	Feb	April	July	Oct	Total Meetings Attended 2024
Bustamante/Barger			X			1
Dagit/Kuehl	X	X	X	X		4
Furey/Hahn	X	X	X	X	X	5
Glickfeld/Horvath	X	X	X	X	X	5
Meister/Horvath	X	X	X	X	X	5
Mooney D'Arcy, Angela/Mitchell	X				X	2
Musa, Sharon/Mitchell				inactive		0
Nagami, Damon K./Mitchell	X		X	X		3
Ross, Shannon/Hahn	X	X	X	X	X	5
Saito/Solis	X		X	X	X	4
Weideman/Hahn	X	X	X	X	X	5

No regularly scheduled meetings in February, March, May, June, August, September, November, and December (February was a special meeting)

X=Present =Absent = Absent due to Expired Term * = No meeting ** = Resigned this year ***=Board Removal

INACTIVE MEMBERS (Missed three or more meetings in a row)