



County of Los Angeles Beach Commission

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AGENDA

Meeting of the Beach Commission
May 22, 2013
9:30 a.m.
Burton Chace Park
13650 Mindanao Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(April 24, 2013)

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. Proposed Subcommittee/Task Force (DISCUSSION/ACTION)

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Healthy Design/Blue Zones Project (PRESENTATION)

B. Fire Rings (DISCUSSION/ACTION)

5. STAFF REPORTS

A. Ongoing Activities Report (DISCUSS REPORT)

- Board Actions on Items Relating to Beaches

B. Beach and Marina del Rey Special Events (DISCUSS REPORT)

Catherine McCurdy,
Chair
Ginny Kruger,
Vice-Chair

Thomas Barnes
Clare Bronowski
Rosi Dagit
Walt Dougher

Norman Dupont
Jeffrey Jennings
Kelly McDowell
Charles Milam

Wayne Powell
Jeffery Sallee
Scott Sachs
Gregory Woodell

- C. Facilities and Property Maintenance Division Report (VERBAL REPORT)
Regarding Beach Maintenance
- D. Capital Projects Status Report/Related Activities (DISCUSS REPORT)
- E. Lifeguard Report (VERBAL REPORT)

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

8. NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION – Wednesday, June 26, 2013, at 9:30 a.m. at Burton Chace Park Community Room.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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13837 Fiji Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Marina del Rey Information Center
4701 Admiralty Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Burton Chace Park Community Room
13650 Mindanao Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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4533 Admiralty Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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May 16, 2013

Santos H. Kreimann
Director

Kerry Silverstrom
Chief Deputy

Gary Jones
Deputy Director

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Carol Baker for* Santos H. Kreimann, Director
SUBJECT: **BEACH COMMISSION AGENDA – MAY 22, 2013**

Enclosed is the agenda for your meeting of May 22, 2013, together with the minutes of your April 24, 2013 meeting. Also enclosed are reports related to Agenda Items 3A, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B and 5D as well as the Beach Commission Attendance Report.

Please call me if you have any questions or need additional information.

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Enclosures

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BEACH COMMISSION
MINUTES OF APRIL 24, 2013**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Clare Bronowski
Norman Dupont
Walt Dougher
Jeffrey Jennings
Ginny Kruger, Vice-Chair
Catherine McCurdy, Chair
Kelly McDowell
Charles Milam
Gregory Woodell

ABSENCES

Thomas Barnes
Rosi Dagit
Wayne Powell
Scott Sachs
Jeffrey Sallee

STAFF PRESENT

John Kelly, Deputy Director, Facilities/Capital Projects/
Maintenance/Traffic Planning/Harbor Engineering Bureau
Carol Baker, Division Chief, Community & Marketing
Services Division
Charlie Kissel, Section Chief, Southern Lifeguard Division, Los Angeles
County Fire Department
Kenneth Foreman, Division Chief, Facilities and
Property Maintenance Division
Cesar Espinosa, Planning Division
Dona Kordich, Section Head, Permit Section

GUEST SPEAKER

None

MEETING LOCATION

Burton W. Chace Park Community Room

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair McCurdy called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m. Chair McCurdy asked Commissioner McDowell to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The commissioners and staff stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair McCurdy asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes. **Motion to approve by Commissioner Kruger, seconded by Commissioner Dupont, and unanimously approved.**

3. OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Baker introduced Mindy Sherwood to the commission. Ms. Sherwood will be helping out in Cheryl McGee's absence.

A. Proposed Revisions to Beach Use Policy

Ms. Baker introduces Dona Kordich, the head of Permits Section, to help answer questions. The beach use policy revisions are based on lessons learned from having gone through the entire year with the new policy. Areas exist where we can create more access for individuals who wanted to run fitness groups, yoga classes, and conduct other beach activities during non-peak hours in the summer. Materials are the same as were presented to the commission last month, and have been reviewed by County Counsel. Staff met with Lifeguard Division Chief Nugent and captains on all of the beaches to discuss how this revised policy can be operationalized. The Department is requesting support from the commission to bring the item to the Board of Supervisors for approval. Commissioner Dougher asked if it has been reviewed by those who are affected. Ms. Baker stated the lifeguards are the one who are most affected by this, and they are who the department looked to in determining which activities can take place on the beach, also county counsel has reviewed it. Commissioner Dougher clarified he was talking about those who are using the beach. Ms. Baker responded this will create more opportunity for beach operators and typically policies are not brought to the public to review unless it's at a setting like this. Ms. Baker stated this was done in response to requests from beach operators to loosen some of the restrictions on beach use. There are groups that are operating through the year except summer. The summer is when they would like to have the classes and space exists on the beach, and the activities aren't crowding or impacting the beach in any way since the classes would be held early in the morning or later in the evening. This proposal is anticipated to be favorably received. Commissioner McDowell mentioned that he notice the term "Water Organized Activities" appears in a number of places in the draft, and sometimes it's capitalized and sometimes not. Ms. Baker thanked the commissioner for pointing that out and it will be corrected. Commissioner Bronowski asked if all activities, even off-peak, would need a permit. Ms. Baker responded yes, but the Department has been unable to provide permits for these activities in the past. This revision will allow them to have a permit. There have been issues with groups showing up on the beach without a permit and conducting business. Since the approval of the policy, code enforcement officers are able give citations for unpermitted activities. Citations cost a lot more then applying for a permit. Commissioner Bronowski mentioned that Santa Monica has new restrictions on fitness camps and so those individuals will be looking for a place to go. Commissioner Dupont asked about Commissioner Sachs' concern that was raised at the last meeting in regard to fees. He also had concern with the wording of fees charges on page 3. Ms. Baker stated that fees are set by the Board of Supervisors, and clarified that the policy in discussion is for Summer Recreational Camps. Ms. Kordich explained the operational fee process. Commissioner Dupont is in favor of going forth with the items but suggested staff work with counsel to change the wording for clarity. Commissioner Jennings suggested inserting the word "fee" after 25 percent of estimated gross receipt. Ms. Baker will take this section back to county counsel and see if it can be reworked. **Commissioner Dupont motioned to adopt the policy revisions subject to final referral to county counsel and to clarify concerns raised by the commissioners at today's meeting. Seconded by Commissioner McDowell; unanimously approved.**

B. Activation of Facilities and Design Subcommittee

Ms. Baker gave a brief report on her discussion with Commissioner Woodell, who would like commissioners to look for ways to fund projects on the beach, such as identify grants or other efforts to support more funding. Ms. Baker stated that type of activity is not for a Facilities and Design Subcommittee, but suggested Commissioner Woodell identifies items that can be focused on outside this formal meeting, and present the information to the commissioners for discussion at a later time. If there is a desire to form either subcommittees or task forces, it can be placed on the agenda. Commissioner Woodell asked for more time to consider the issue. It was agreed on that the item will be brought back in May.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. None

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

A. Ongoing Activities Report

There were no Board action items to report.

B. Beach and Marina del Rey Special Events

Ms. Baker informed the Commissioners about the Farmers Market on Thursdays at Marina Beach.

C. Facilities and Property Maintenance Division Report

Mr. Forman reported they are in summer preparation and are in the process of bringing on 40 additional staff for the season. The additional help is to keep the restrooms clean, and some restrooms will be open as early as 5:30 a.m. The focus is on repair project that can be completed by end of next month. There have been complaints about privacy, so doors that have been taken off will be replaced.

D. Capital Projects Status Report

Mr. Espinosa updated the commissioners on the four capital projects and funding sources. Mr. Espinosa stated Will Rogers Coastline construction will start May 15, 2013. The information on construction start dates will be posted on the Department website and social media. The beach septic system replacement for restroom #6 and maintenance yard is currently under construction to be completed by the middle of next month. Restrooms 2, 7, 8 and 9 will start construction after the summer season. Mr. Kelly suggested staff change the name of Surfrider Beach Tank Removal to "... Preservation" since the tank will no longer be removed.

E. Lifeguard Report

Section Chief Kissel, standing in for Chief Nugent, reported that the Fire Department is actively preparing for a busy 2013 summer season. He mentioned they are having promotional exams and new resources in a way of rescue boats that are being built.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Jennings asked if there was anything that was done for Commissioner Andy Stern who resigned awhile ago, but has been on the commission for 13 years. Ms. Baker was unsure if anything was done at the Board or at Third District. Commissioner Kruger stated that she will give the Third Supervisorial District Office a call.

7. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

Chair McCurdy stated there is a letter from the public requesting the commission take a stand regarding the proposed ban on beach fire rings. She asked if there is an interest in getting involved. Commissioner Milam suggested the subject be tabled until it is brought to the commission and ask if a position need to be taken right now. Chair McCurdy asked staff when the AQMD is taking action. Ms. Baker responded that it is going before the AQMD no later than June 7, 2013. The commission agreed to place this item on the agenda for next month's meeting and asked that staff provide a report at that time.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

The next meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2013, 9:30 a.m. at Burton Chace Park.

9. ADJOURNMENT

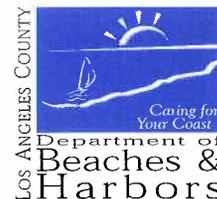
Motion by Commissioner Bronowski and second by Commission Jennings to adjourned the meeting. Chair McCurdy adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mindy Sherwood
Interim Commission Secretary



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TO: Beach Commission
Carol Behr AK
FROM: Santos H. Kreimann, Director
SUBJECT: **AGENDA ITEM 3A – APPOINTMENT OF SUBCOMMITTEE TASK FORCE**

BOARD ACTIONS ON ITEMS RELATING TO BEACHES

Per the Commission's direction at the March 27, 2013 meeting, Department of Beaches and Harbors staff worked with Commissioner Woodell to craft a motion related to his recent requests for a subcommittee/task force. Please find below the motion for Commission discussion and possible action.

MOTION: *To establish a subcommittee or task force to identify and potentially help secure funding for beach capital improvement or repair projects, beach recreational programming and beach/facility maintenance.*

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM:  Santos H. Kreimann, Director

SUBJECT: **AGENDA ITEM 4A – HEALTHY DESIGN BLUE ZONES PROJECT PRESENTATION**

Item 4A pertains to a joint presentation on Los Angeles County's Healthy Design efforts and on the Blue Zones Project in the beach cities of Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach and Redondo Beach.

Overview: The County recently began taking a multi-disciplinary approach to healthy design in the built environment as well as in other areas to improved health outcomes for county residents. At the same time, the beach cities of Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach and Redondo Beach are engaging in the Blue Zones Project, a community well-being initiative with the primary goal of measurably improving health.

This presentation will focus on both efforts, their commonalities, and how they may be leveraged in coastal communities and on public beaches. Presenters are Jean Armbruster of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and Lisa Santora of the Beach Cities Health District, a preventative health agency presenting the Blue Zones Project and offering other health and well-being programs and services to promote health and prevent disease.

Presenters' Backgrounds:

Jean Armbruster, MA, is the Director of the PLACE Program (*Policies from Livable, Active Communities and Environments*) at the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. Launched in 2006, the program's mission is to foster policy change that supports the development of safe, healthy, active environments for all Los Angeles County residents. PLACE makes grants and provides technical assistance to cities and communities to promote the development of policies such as bicycle and pedestrian master plans, complete streets, and safe routes to schools plans. Ms. Armbruster is passionate about creating equal access to health-promoting communities and loves the co-benefits inherent in built environment work, including the potential to mitigate climate change. She loves hiking with her dog in the Santa Monica Mountains.

Lisa M. Santora, MD, MPH, is the Chief Medical Officer for the Beach Cities Health District (BCHD) in Redondo Beach, California. She oversees the implementation, delivery, and evaluation of community preventive services that span a healthy life,

including the Blue Zones Project™|Beach Cities by Healthways. Prior to BCHD, Santora held various positions in federally qualified health centers in Miami, FL and Los Angeles, CA. Santora is a graduate of UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School, Newark, where she received a doctor of medicine degree. She completed her residency in preventive medicine at SUNY at Buffalo, her residency in family medicine at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida, and an internship in family medicine at Harbor UCLA.

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Carol Raker for* Santos H. Kreimann, Director

SUBJECT: **AGENDA ITEM 4B – PROPOSED SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PROPOSAL TO BAN BEACH FIRE RINGS; CONSIDERATION OF A RELATED BEACH COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

BACKGROUND:

The South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) Board of Directors, this region's air quality regulatory board, is considering a prohibition against beach fire rings that would include about 75 fire rings at Dockweiler State Beach and six at Cabrillo Beach in Los Angeles County. The AQMD Board is scheduled to take up the fire ring-banning amendment to its rules regulating open burning on beaches at a June 7, 2013 meeting.

At the Beach Commission's April 24, 2013 meeting, Commissioners directed Department staff to provide further information on this matter for consideration and potential action at the Commission's May 22, 2013 meeting. The following report provides an overview of the proposed fire ring ban and information about the use of fire rings at Dockweiler State Beach, which the Department maintains.

DISCUSSION:

Overview

The Air Quality Management District (AQMD) is considering a ban on beach fire rings to protect public health and air quality by reducing potentially high concentrations of wood smoke. Orange County residents who live near some of the nearly 700 rings in that county's coastal communities have complained about frequent exposure to wood smoke and its particulate pollutants, known as PM2.5 emissions. The Newport Beach City Council asked the state Coastal Commission to allow that city to remove fire pits in Corona del Mar, where the rings are in close proximity to residential areas. (The Coastal Commission has postponed consideration of the city's request until after the AQMD hearing next month.) Huntington Beach officials, on the other hand, support the rings, which provide an estimated \$1 million annually in parking revenues. That city's elected representatives have asked that fire ring regulations take into account

“geographical differences” among communities with regard to the proximity of fire rings to residential areas.

Fire ring proponents have actively protested the proposed ban, with some organizing highly-visible Internet/media campaigns and public demonstrations against the potential AQMD rule change. Opponents of the ban include the Orange County Board of Supervisors and county Chamber of Commerce and other business groups, which cite lost parking, tourism and sales tax revenue should the rings be removed from the county’s coastal communities.

Earlier this month, the state Assembly’s Natural Resources Committee approved a resolution (ACR 52) by Assembly Member Travis Allen (R-Huntington Beach) stating that the Legislature supports the protection of California’s beaches and “important traditions that are integral to our culture and beach lifestyle, such as fire rings.” The resolution’s language reflects the sentiments of fire ring proponents who describe “beach bonfires” as a hallmark of Southern California beach culture.

If adopted, the amendment banning open burning on beaches would take effect January 1, 2015, or sooner if approved by a city or county. According to an AQMD staff report (that may be accessed online at <http://www.aqmd.gov/hb/attachments/2011-2015/2013May/2013-May3-029.pdf>) the amendment adds a “new definition” for prohibited “beach burning;” one that retains several existing exceptions, including for open burning activities in parks. The staff report states that “[o]ther types of recreational, ceremonial, or open burning remain exempt, such as those at regional parks and camp grounds not covered by the new definition.”

Health/Environmental Concerns

With regard to health risks posed by open burning on the beach, the AQMD staff report noted the following: “Several studies have found correlations between elevated ambient particulate matter levels and an increase in mortality rates, respiratory infections, number and severity of asthma attacks, and the number of hospital admissions in different parts of the United States and in various areas around the world. In recent years, studies have reported an association between long-term exposure to PM2.5 and increased mortality, reduction in life-span, and an increased mortality rate from lung cancer.”

The report goes on to note that studies have directly linked wood smoke to health effects ranging from burning eyes and running nose to aggravations of chronic heart and lung diseases that could be linked to premature death. It further stated that particulate exposure risks for children include reduced lung function growth.

With regard to air quality, the AQMD report notes that smoke particles are a significant source of ambient levels of particulate matter in the region. “On an annual average basis, about 1 to 3% of PM2.5 is made up of particles from wood or biomass combustion in the South Coast Air Basin (SCAQMD, 2008).” Moreover, wood coated in paint and other hazardous fuel sources used in fire rings pose additional health and environmental risks. Reducing the number of fire rings and improved enforcement of

fuel type usage would reduce emissions, according to the AQMD staff report, but this source of emission would still contribute to an exceedance of state and federal air quality standards for public exposure to harmful pollutants in the region.

The AQMD is considering a demonstration project for a clean-burning alternative to existing fire rings. The staff report noted the agency may release a solicitation for a contractor(s) "to conduct a demonstration project for a low emission outdoor open burning beach type fire pit ring." The report stated that the successful applicant would be expected to design and install a prototype system that will meet or exceed industry standards and would be required to seek input from local jurisdictions in executing the project.

Dockweiler State Beach Fire Rings

As noted above, about 80 beach fire rings exist on public beaches in Los Angeles County – six at Cabrillo Beach, which are maintained by the City of Los Angeles, and 75 at Dockweiler State Beach, which are maintained by the Department's Facilities and Property Maintenance Division (FPMD). Dockweiler State Beach lies in the flight path of Los Angeles International Airport and is close to both the city's sewage treatment plant and two power generating facilities. Department staff could find no health or air quality data specifically related to fire rings on Dockweiler State Beach.

Unlike those in parts of Orange County, the fire rings at Dockweiler State Beach are not proximate to residences. Aerial measurements taken by Department staff show that the Dockweiler fire rings are located about 5,300 feet from the nearest residences in Playa del Rey and about 2,300 feet from the nearest residences in El Segundo.

DBH has received few if any complaints about fire ring smoke from residences. In recent years, the Department logged only one smoke-related complaint – from a cyclist who used the bike path near the fire rings.

Injuries related to fire rings include burns from direct exposure to flames and from contact with coals and other hot items. The county's lifeguards assigned to Dockweiler State Beach are called upon to treat burn injuries. The Lifeguard Division reports that most such injuries are preventable if beach-goers exercise proper safety precautions.

The lifeguards also note increased activities and attendance at Dockweiler State Beach during evening hours compared to other regional beaches, largely due to the use of fire rings. Evening use of parking lots at Dockweiler State Beach generates nearly \$570,000 annually in revenue for the county.

Dockweiler's heavily-used fire rings are subject to significant wear-and-tear that requires constant maintenance and the regular replacement of severely damaged rings. Debris from wood burning and other activities around the rings present a heightened beach cleaning challenge for the Department's FPMD.

The heavy use of the Dockweiler rings underscores their popularity as a low-cost attraction for residents throughout the region and a draw for tourists visiting Southern California. Surveys of beach-goers indicate that Dockweiler is frequented by larger and more significantly diverse groups of individuals than most beaches in Los Angeles County, partially due, staff surmises, to the widespread popularity of its fire rings.

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DOCKWEILER STATE BEACH

~5,300 feet to nearest residential area

Vista Del Mar

Fire Rings

Imperial Hwy

~2,300 feet to nearest residential area

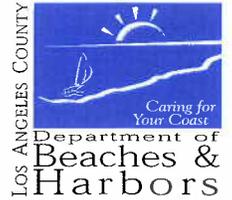
Fire Rings

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May 16, 2013

TO: Beach Commission
Carol Bahner
FROM: Santos H. Kreimann, Director
SUBJECT: **AGENDA ITEM 5A - ONGOING ACTIVITIES REPORT**

BOARD ACTIONS ON ITEMS RELATING TO BEACHES

On April 16, Commissioner Mitch Ward was appointed to the Beach Commission by the Board upon the nomination of Supervisor Knabe.

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TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Carol Baker for*
Santos H. Kreimann, Director

SUBJECT: **AGENDA ITEM 5B - BEACH AND MARINA DEL REY SPECIAL EVENTS**

BEACH EVENTS

SHORE FISHING

Dockweiler Youth Center ♦ 12505 Vista del Mar ♦ Los Angeles, CA 90245

Sundays: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

The Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors is offering an introduction to shore fishing class. Come enjoy a beautiful morning of fishing from the shores of Dockweiler Beach. Fishing poles and bait will be provided at no cost. All ages are welcome. Anyone under the age of 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Anyone over the age of 16 years old must present a valid California fishing license to participate. Fishing licenses can be purchased locally at West Marine: 4750 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA, 90292, (310) 823-5357 or Marina del Rey Sportfishing: 13759 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, CA, 90202 (310) 371-3712. Please call to pre-register at (310) 726-4128. *Limited to 10 participants per session.

Fishing Dates: May 19

For more information call: (310) 726-4128

BEACH SHUTTLE

May 24 – September 29, 2013

Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Sundays and Holidays from 10 a.m. – p.m.

Catch a free ride on the Beach Shuttle to and from Playa Vista, Marina del Rey and Venice, and enjoy the surf, sand and surroundings of Marina del Rey in a hassle-free and relaxing way. The Beach Shuttle operates weekends and during the Thursday Marina del Rey Summers Concerts, which begin July 11th.

For more information call: Marina del Rey Visitor Center (310) 305-9545

FIESTA HERMOSA

Hermosa Beach
Memorial Day Weekend
May 25 – 27, 2013
10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

The annual Memorial Day weekend of festivities will take place in downtown Hermosa along Hermosa Avenue, Pier Avenue and Pier Plaza. The three-day event, organized by the Chamber of Commerce, will include over 300 vendors, food booths, children's rides, entertainment stages and a beer garden.

For information call: Chamber of Commerce at (310) 376-0951 or visit www.fiestahermosa.com.

**MUSCLE BEACH INTERNATIONAL CLASSIC &
ARMED FORCES CHAMPIONSHIP**

Venice Beach Recreation Center
1800 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, CA 90291
Memorial Day, May 27, 2013
Pre-Judging at 10:00 a.m., Finals at 1:00 p.m.

Bodybuilding competition at Venice Beach, open to the public. Admission is free.

For more information call: (310) 399-2775 or visit <http://www.musclebeachvenice.com>

MARINA DEL REY

FARMERS' MARKET IN MARINA DEL REY

Marina "Mother's" Beach ♦ 4101 Admiralty Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Thursdays - 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

The Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors, in collaboration with Southland Farmers' Markets Association, is offering the Marina del Rey Farmers' Market on Thursday. The Marina del Rey Farmers' Market offers fresh, locally-grown organic and conventionally grown fruits and veggies. Also available are prepared and packaged foods, hand-crafted products and much more! Paid parking is available at beach parking lot #10 for 25 cents for every 15-minutes.

For more information call: Marina del Rey Visitors Center at (310) 305-9545

BIRDWATCHING 2013
Burton Chace Park ♦ Lobby
13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey, 90292

The Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors' Outdoor Adventures are sponsoring a FREE two-hour excursion through the Ballona Wetlands, with visits to the nesting sites of the Great Blue Heron and Black Crowned Night Heron. You will also get to visit the shoreline habitat to observe Sandpipers, including Long-Billed Curlews, Willets, and Western Snowy Plovers. Don't miss this chance to get acquainted with the lives of our feathered friends who are part of our ecosystem! Please bring water, snacks, binoculars, comfortable clothes and shoes with traction. For morning sessions, also bring sunscreen and a hat. This activity is geared for adults, but may be attended by children who do not need a car seat or stroller, if accompanied by an adult. Space is limited, so please pre-register by calling (310) 322-6951.

A County van is available to pick up participants a half hour before the program start time at:

- Dockweiler Youth Center Lobby, 12505 Vista del Mar, Los Angeles, 90245
- Dockweiler RV Park Office, 12001 Vista del Mar, Playa del Rey, 90293

Walk Dates: May 23
4:00 p.m.

June 27
9:00 a.m.

For more information call: (310) 322-6951

"BEACH EATS" GOURMET FOOD TRUCKS IN MARINA DEL REY
Marina "Mother's" Beach ♦ 4101 Admiralty Way ♦ Marina del Rey
Thursdays - 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors is sponsoring gourmet food trucks in Marina del Rey on Thursday evenings, offering delectable dishes plus a chance to picnic on the beach. The "Beach Eats" gourmet food truck events are held from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. The assortment of trucks varies week to week. Paid parking is available at beach parking lot #10 for 25 cents for every 15 minutes.

For more information call: Marina del Rey Visitors Center at (310) 305-9545

BURTON CHACE PARK WALKING CLUB

Burton Chace Park ♦ Lobby

13650 Mindanao Way ♦ Marina del Rey, 90292
Tuesdays & Thursdays
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

The Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors is sponsoring a FREE one-hour walking club. Get your exercise while taking in the beautiful view of the Marina del Rey harbor. Please RSVP by calling (310) 305-9595.

For more information call: (310) 305-9595

SUNSET SERIES SAILBOAT RACES 2013

Marina del Rey
Wednesdays, through September 11, 2013
5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Spectators can enjoy these races from the comfort of one of the water-view restaurants, Fisherman's Village and the North Jetty on Wednesday evenings between 5:30 p.m. (sailboats leaving the harbor) and 8:00 p.m. (race finishes at California Yacht Club).

For more information call: (310) 823-4567

FISHERMAN'S VILLAGE WEEKEND CONCERT SERIES

Sponsored by Pacific Ocean Management, LLC
All concerts from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 18

Bob De Sena, playing Latin Jazz

Sunday, May 19

Jimi Nelson & The Drifting Cowboys, playing Country

Saturday, May 25

Jimbo Ross & The Bodacious Blues Band, playing Blues

Sunday, May 26

2Azz1, playing Smooth Jazz

Monday, May 27

The Jagz, playing R&B and Oldies

For more information call: Pacific Ocean Management at (310) 822-6866



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May 16, 2013

TO: Beach Commission
FROM: *Carol Behm for*
Santos H. Kreimann, Director

SUBJECT: **AGENDA ITEM 5D – CAPITAL PROJECTS STATUS REPORT/RELATED ACTIVITIES**

Item 5D on your agenda provides the Commission with a status report on the Department's four beach capital projects and other projects of interest.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Supervisory District 3

(1)	Will Rogers SB - Coastline Drive Development	\$ 9,514,000
(2)	Dan Blocker-West Improvement Project	4,790,000
(3)	Beach Restroom Septic System Replacement Program	13,788,000
(4)	Surfrider Beach Tank Preservation	<u>394,960</u>
	TOTAL	\$28,486,960

(1) Will Rogers SB – Coastline Drive Development

The project includes: reconstruction of the parking lot; construction of an engineered seawall and slope; removal of the existing wooden pilings to below grade; construction of a view deck and ADA-compliant beach access ramp; and landscaping, irrigation and security lighting improvements.

Status: Construction to start on May 20, 2013. The Department of Public Works' contractor, Granite Construction Company, will be using the unpaved lot at Topanga (immediately west of the Topanga Lagoon) as staging area.

(2) Dan Blocker Beach-West Improvement Project

The project involves the development of an unimproved westerly portion of this beach site, all of which will be ADA-complaint and includes a small paved parking lot; restrooms; bluff top trail; benches and picnic facilities with protective railings; new perimeter fencing; and bluff top and slope native planting, with minimal irrigation for erosion control.

Status: Based on comments from the Coastal Commission and the City of Malibu the County continues to evaluate a modification to the project to delete the proposed ADA

access ramp from the top of the bluff to the beach. Once this review is completed, DPW will move forward with revising the construction documents.

(3) Beach Restroom Septic System Replacement Program

This program consists of replacing septic systems and leach fields at 16 County operated beach locations in the Topanga and Malibu areas. Each project includes the removal of existing septic pumps and tanks and installation of an advanced treatment septic system, including pumps, tanks, telemetry monitoring system, filter pods, and leach field.

Status: Construction of the Zuma Maintenance Yard and Restroom No. 6 was completed on May 13, 2013. All equipment and staging area has been cleared.

Replacement of the septic systems at Zuma restrooms Nos. 2, 7, 8 and 9 will begin after the summer season.

(4) Surfrider Beach Tank Preservation

The abandoned saltwater concrete tank was uncovered during the storms of 2004-05. This project is to leave the tank in place on the beach. The tank will be filled with slurry to prevent collapse, sealed, and covered with beach sand.

Status: On March 28, 2013, DPW prepared and submitted the regulatory permit applications to the City of Malibu, the Corps, and the RWQCB, and is awaiting a project cost proposal from the contractor.

Broad Beach

Kenneth Ehrlich, counsel for the Broad Beach Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD), called DBH on May 8 to say they no longer intend on taking Dockweiler sand. Rather, the sand will be trucked in. The GHAD will work out an agreement with DBH to use the north/west Zuma lot for staging.

Zuma Beach Underpass

On May 8 2013, DBH and DPW responded to the City of Malibu's review of the coastal development permit (CDP) application. If there are no additional requests from the City, a CDP should be issued in June. The permits issued by Corps and RWQCB are still valid. However, the permit issued by the Department of Fish and Wildlife has expired, and DBH is in the process of reapplying for the permit.

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION ATTENDANCE REPORT 2013

Commissioner/ Appointed by	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Sept	Oct	Nov	Total Meetings Attended 2013
Sachs/Ridley-Thomas	X	X	X								
Bronowski/Yaroslavsky	X	X		X							
Dagit/Yaroslavsky	X	X									
Dupont/Yaroslavsky			X	X							
Jennings/Yaroslavsky		X		X							
Kruger/Yaroslavsky	X	X	X	X							
Woodell/Yaroslavsky	X	X	X	X							
Barnes/Knabe											
Dougher/Knabe	X	X	X	X							
McCurdy/Knabe	X	X	X	X							
McDowell/Knabe	X	X	X	X							
Milam/Knabe	X	X	X	X							
Powell/Knabe		X	X								
Sallee/Knabe	X	X									
Ward/Knabe											
Stern/Yaroslavsky		RETIRED									
Pratt/Knabe	RETIRED										
Rohrer/Knabe	X	RETIRED									
Vacant/Molina											
Vacant/Yaroslavsky											
Vacant/Knabe											
Vacant/Antonovich											
Ward/Knabe											

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

No regularly scheduled meetings in August or December * = No meeting X = Present Blank = Absent