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22.		Favor	A Cleary	Save marine mammals
			Aari Reich	
			Adam Barbour	
			Alan Hanson	Please help!!
			Alessandria Ronney	
			Alex Hooper	
			Alexandra Fleder	Please think of all the marine mammals affected by the runoff from fires. Thank you.
			Alfred Zach O Tingabngab	<p>As a devoted animal lover and caretaker at the Marine Mammal Care Center, I am deeply concerned about the growing number of seals and sea lions suffering from Domoic Acid poisoning along our coast. These animals are not just patients—we see firsthand how critical their recovery is to the balance of our ocean ecosystems. Without immediate and increased support, many won't survive.</p> <p>LA County must recognize the urgency of this crisis. The Care Center operates on limited resources and relies heavily on donations and volunteers to treat and rehabilitate these marine animals. With more consistent and substantial funding from the County, we could expand our medical capabilities, improve response times, and save more lives.</p> <p>These marine mammals are sentinels of ocean health. When they suffer, it's a warning that our environment is in distress. Protecting them is not just compassion—it's essential to protecting California's coastlines, fisheries, and future.</p>
			Ali Greer	Please help our ocean animals.
			Aline Hovanky	Please provide full funding, as protecting California's biodiversity is crucial for all of us.
			Alison Dice	Please provide financial support from the city and counties to help the MMCC and others continue to be able to rescue, treat, and rehabilitate the sic and injured wildlife that is coming in! They need funding NOW more than ever to be able to treat the influx of seals and other wildlife that is coming in sick from DA poisoning. This is crucial and this is critical!
			Allison Borgeson	
			Alma Vera	



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22.		Favor	Alysha E Lessor	<p>Please fully fund the marina mammal care center, it's long over due the county steps up to protect marine wildlife but also the people who interact with animals on our beaches.</p> <p>Tourism is down nationwide, but with all of the crisis happening in los angeles- it's an investment in bringing eco tourism to Los Angeles to bring funding to MMCC - it will come back to locals here ten fold in tourism economy</p> <p>With summer approaching and this toxic algae bloom happening earlier than usual- MMCC has. o money to take care of the animals this summer- when our beaches are most crowded.</p>
			Alyson Groll	<p>Funds must be allocated to the marine mammal care Center from the energy settlement funds. Our animals are dying. It's beyond tragic and there is no time for discussion. The monies must be provided now so they can continue their life saving work. It is the Government's responsibility to support the organizations that are stepping up to protect our marine life. Enough is enough. They need to have a steady flow of sufficient funds to do whatever they need to do to help out sick and dying marine life. This is an emergency. Haven't our wildlife suffered enough these past several months? This is life our death. These people step up every single day to help these animals. The least the Government can do is make sure they have the resources to do so. There is no more time to wait.</p>
			Amanda herring	
			Amanda L Ackerman	I am a very concerned citizen. Please support our marine wildlife to remediate the awful deaths and illnesses from domoic acid. We are all connected.
			Amber Bliss	
			Amy Favat	<p>Hi. My name is Amy Favat and I am a concerned citizen living in Topanga. I am urging the poweres that be to PLEASE provide immediate funding and resources needed to the Marine Mammal Care Center during this unprecedented record breaking algae bloom crisis that is impacting our ocean wildlife such as whales, seals, dolphins, and birds. This is a MAJOR CRISIS and they need all the local funding and support they can get to insure they can continue to do their essential recsue and rehab care they are giving to so many animals. They are also understaffed and their facility is beyond capacity - yet they continue to do this vital work every single day to help animals in distress.</p> <p>PLEASE GIVE THEM THE ATTENTION, SUPPORT, AND FUNDING THEY SO NEED RIGHT NOW. Time is of the essence. Thank you.</p>



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			Amy Walker	
			Amy L Kern	<p>I am writing to express my strong support for the motion titled Urgent Response to a Rise in Stranded Marine Mammals Affected by Domoic Acid Along Los Angeles County Beaches. This motion is a critical step in addressing the ongoing domoic acid crisis impacting marine wildlife along our coast and provides much-needed funding to the Marine Mammal Care Center (MMCC).</p> <p>The MMCC plays an essential role in our community by rescuing and rehabilitating marine mammals suffering from domoic acid poisoning—a naturally occurring toxin that can cause seizures, brain damage, and death in affected animals. Without adequate support, the Center cannot sustain its round-the-clock response efforts during these increasingly frequent stranding events.</p> <p>Beyond the vital animal welfare work MMCC performs, their presence also provides a crucial public safety service. Sick or disoriented marine mammals on our beaches can pose risks to the public, and MMCC's timely intervention helps to prevent potential harm to residents and visitors. Their trained staff not only remove and treat these animals humanely, but also educate the public about ocean health and responsible behavior around wildlife.</p> <p>Los Angeles County's beaches are a treasured resource, and protecting the wildlife that inhabits them is integral to maintaining the environmental and public health of our coastline. Supporting this motion ensures that MMCC can continue its lifesaving and community-protecting mission during this urgent crisis.</p> <p>I urge you to vote in favor of this motion and stand behind the Marine Mammal Care Center's continued service to both our marine ecosystem and our community.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and commitment to protecting Los Angeles County's natural and public resources.</p>
			Anastasia Kawa	our actions on the land directly impact our oceans and we need to do more to protect our oceans from runoff causing these algae blooms. the marine rescue center is an excellent place and deserves more resources to help our oceans and sea life.



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22.		Favor	Andrea Sczesny	
			Angela Chen	This is a critical time where domoic acid is a neurotoxin that poisons marine mammals and can cause adverse human-animal interactions. There are high levels of domoic acid in our oceans and we need to rehabilitate animals to prevent future harm.
			Angelica Thomas	This is incredibly important work and allows us to help protect our local marine wildlife. They're horribly affected by algal blooms likely exacerbated by the runoff from this year's earlier wildfires. This is a local environmental priority!
			Angie Rutan	
			Anisha Deshmane	Marine health and safety is a crucial part of our ecosystem and environmental recovery after the fires. The Marine Mammal Center is an incredibly responsible institution doing the good work to protect and rehabilitate marine mammals who are keystone species in our local environment. Please support them in any way you can!
			Anna Boyiazis	Save our marine mammals!
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			Anthea L Carrillo	The protection of our marine life is absolutely necessary.
			Anthony Perry	The beaches are for everyone and we have a mutual accountability to care for our animals impacted by the fossil fuel created climate crisis and algae super growth chemicals in fire retardant. Please allocate full funding and long term support for cleaner beaches and creature support.
			Ariana Azoulai	Please provide full funding for these animals!
			Arin Fisher	Please provide the Marine Mammal Care Center with emergency funds to protect marine mammals on Southern California beaches. This is an atrocity and the gov't response is unconscionable.
			Armando Espinoza	
			Ashley Oelsen	This is of utmost importance. I witnessed four dolphins die from drowning and/or having seizures until their heart stopped. It was extremely horrific to see. I called Marine Mammal Care Center to help and they immediately sent a veterinarian to help end the suffering. MMCC is overwhelmed, underfunded and overcapacity. this money is crucial to their organization.
			Ashley Steele	This is vital
			Ashley A Krueger	



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22.		Favor	Ashley M Abercrombie	
			Aurora Badiu	
			Autumn Marsilio	Please put resources into helping these animals. They did nothing to deserve this and they cannot fight for themselves. We are their only advocates and this is how I'd like to see tax dollars being spent. Thank you so much
			Bee Harris	please support the marine mammals unit & what they do for for our ocean & beaches. The animals are suffering right now because of our lack of fire clean up & neglect to keep toxic debris off of LA beaches. We can shift this! Lets support marine life. Clean up our beaches & keep toxic waste away from out delicate water ways & ocean animals.
			Benjamin Voelker	
			Beth Spiegel	Please support the Marine Mammal care Center NOW!
			Betty C Vick	Please allocate emergency funding to the Marine Mammal Center so they can care for the increased number of animals suffering from complications from our current algae blooms.
			Bonnie C Doyle	
			Brenda Gergely	
			Briana Molina	With as much as we all say we love our beaches, we need to step up and care for our marine life.
			Brianne Dobson	PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, I urge you all to support this emergency funding for MMCC in San Pedro. They are doing amazing work with what they have, they had only budgeted for 300 sick animals and have been overwhelmed and inundated with assisting sick and dead sea animals due to the domoic acid poisoning that has taken place post-fires with unfortunately no end in sight. I personally have called for their assistance with two sick sea lions at Cabrillo Beach. At the second call, I was fortunate to have run into them at the beach, but they had to come back to get the sick sea lion because they had a dead dolphin in the back of the truck that they needed to get and only had room for one animal at a time in the truck. These people are heroes right now and on the front line helping these animals. To see them do a release of the healthy sea lions is also something amazing to see as well. These animals need our help, these people need our help, and this organization needs our help in their greatest time of need. Thank you for your consideration.
			Bryan Gilmore	
			Caitlin M Stamos	Please support this vital work of protecting our local marine life. Their health is connected to all our health.



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22.		Favor	Camille Lecoq	
			Carly Nelson	
			Carrie Lincourt	
			Catherine A Baklarz	The Marine Mammal center and other local nonprofits are crucial in maintaining wildlife populations, educating beachgoers for safety, I continued marine mammal crisis rehabilitation
			Chandler Leming	Please allocate available energy settlement funds to support MMCC's life-saving work
			Charlene Wang	
			Charlotte Swanson	
			Christi Mendoza	Los Angeles has not taken step to protect its marine mammals. Burnt homes on the shoreline have not been cleared, beaches have been used as sites for toxic materials from burn sites and our marine life is suffering from these poor decisions. There are very few marine mammal organizations in serving Los Angeles and they need funds to help save the sea mammals that inhabit our coast line. They are suffering from the cities poor response and should be at the very least helped with funding & resources as well as cleaning up homes in tide zones & ensuring structures are no longer built on the beach to mitigate damage & toxicity from fires & pollution.,
			Christian Bustamante	Please help this cause
			Christine Tartaglia	Please vote to continue and fully fund efforts to help stranded marine mammals affected by domoic acid along LA County Beaches!
			Christopher J Robinette	Please provide the full funding requested for this emergency. Not only does the money help the affected animals, it protects people using the beaches.
			Cielo Stanley	
			Cindy Medina	
			Cindy Mills	There is unprecedented need at this time!
			Claire Dombrowski	
			Colton Priesmeyer	Save marine mammals!



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22.		Favor	courtney b cronin	<p>I have lived on Torrance beach for over 40 years and I have never seen so much death and animals in peril on our little beach.</p> <p>Birds and dolphins washing up dead and dying, and everyday.... sea lions beaching themselves with the Domoic acid poisoning and painfully suffering until help can come.</p> <p>As an MMCC volunteer I have seen....</p> <p>The sea lions/ seals who are lucky to be rescued are able to be treated , who rest and recover and return to ocean – and right now there are SO MANY up and down the coast.</p> <p>The rescue teams are so overwhelmed with calls sometimes it's just not possible for them to arrive in time, or with ENOUGH ROOM, to rescue every sick animal. There are that many.</p> <p>And MANY of them are dying. Sadly, I've seen this multiple times and it is awful and traumatizing for anyone unlucky enough to witness.</p> <p>It is a cruel and painful death that these animals do not deserve, they deserve to be helped.</p> <p>Please provide full funding to the MMCC so they can continue the important work they are doing to save these animals affected by the harmful algal bloom.</p>
			Cynthia Ferguson	Yesssss!!!! This is crucial right now to ensure public safety (beaches and food) in addition to protecting marine life.
			Cynthia Mata	
			Dani Zacky	Please support and fund the organizations responding to the marine mammals impacted by Domoic acid. Our pollution and lack of preparation and planning is impacting innocent marine wildlife.
			Daniel Delarosa	Please! This is for our community and our animals!
			Daniella Roberge	
			David Bader	Please support the Marine Mammal Care Center to help rescue marine life from economically important LA County Beaches. We should care about the animals and the impact these stranded sea lions and dolphins have on local economies and municipalities.
			David Paster	It is our responsibility to take action in response to the environmental crisis on our shores.
			Delaney C Toler	
			Denise Marble	Please support the welfare of our local wildlife endangered by our pollution of their home.

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22.		Favor	Denise M Shay	Moral obligation to provide care to innocent animals harmed by Domoic Acid
			Dennis Cregg	CLEAN UP THE COAST AND HELP THE ANIAMALS THAT CALL THE OCEAN HOME
			Destiny Farrant	
			Diane Magnette	Please help these pour animals! They are our relatives!
			Donna I	
			Elena Tillman	MMCC has already intaked the number of animals budgeted for the entire YEAR due to the domoic acid crisis. This is not going away and is related to warming waters and fertilizer runoff. They need the funding now more than ever!!! Watching these marine mammals die has been atrocious.
			Elise Piatkowski	Please help these innocent animals
			Elizabeth Kahn	Marine Mammal Care Center is the only organization authorized by NOAA to care for sick marine mammals in California. They perform a public service and help keep our beaches safe for the public to enjoy. They need all the state and country resources possible right now to respond to an unprecedented toxic algae bloom. These animals are vital to our ecosystem here in the Santa Monica Bay, and for California as a whole. I strongly urge the county to support them now and in the future as climate change and pollution from the fire poses a serious danger for both marine and human livelihood and wellbeing. Thank you.
			Emily Skehan	This work urgently needs funding to respond to the immediate crisis and propose long term remediation.
			Eric R Luhrs	Much needed with the patient increase caused by domoic acid but also valuable part of the community educating about these creatures/ocean environment.
			Erica Nouza	
			Erin Dicarlo	Please fund this!!! so many animals need help and we need to figure out why. Please pass this!!!!
			Erin Seem	
			Eva M Green	Help save the wildlife and beaches of SoCal!
			Fiona E Taylor	save our marine mammals!!
			Francesca Pascolini	Our wildlife rescue & rehabilitation organizations like MMCC and IBR need more funding for saving our critical marine wildlife and its habitat, especially during this domoic acid crisis.



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22.		Favor	Gabrielle Schleppenbach	So many marine animals are getting sick from domoic acid and higher levels are being seen more frequently. It's devastating to see so many ailing animals and care centers are in great need of funding to continue their work.
			George Norrington	Please fully fund to help the marine mammals suffering from DA. Protect our coastlines
			Glenn Rechler	In light of the disastrous effects of the fires which continue to seep into the ocean and poison the sand and water - it is essential that all efforts are made and financially supported to save our coastal wildlife and coastal cultures.
			Gordon Huang	Please protect our ocean and marine life. The health of our planet depends on it. Be a force for good.
			Haley Ziegel	Save marine mammals!
			Hannah Husman	
			Harper Hodgeman	
			Heather Krueger	Please give funds towards the marine mammals who are dying in Los Angeles County. It is so sad, lots of sea lions, dolphins, birds and whales have been washing up along our coastline, and have been killed by domoic acid. This is heartbreaking. With your help, and more funds you can help save marine life. The Marine Mammal Care Center helps rehabilitate these marine species and get them back into the ocean in a healthy way. Please help our ocean life, they depend on us. Thank you so much.
			Heidi Buech	It is absolutely unethical that we aren't helping the nonprofits do the work the city should be doing to help mitigate the disasterous effects of the Domoic Acid tragedy. PLEASE vote to fund the nonprofits doing the lifesaving interventions here. We Southern Californians continue to lose so much from these fires, both on land and at sea. I understand the DA effect is partially caused by climate change but the runoff from the recent fires is very likely contributing to the extreme DA bloom and we have a moral obligation to the creatures we share this landscape with.
			Heidi Buech	Please vote In favor of FULL FUNDING. WE MUST help he organizations who are responding to this ecological crisis. We have an ethical and moral obligation to do so!!!!
			Holly Tassi	
			Irene Gilgoff	Protecting our ocean and its inhabitants is the responsibility of all who live in Los Angeles. It is our most precious natural resource.
			Isabel Merel	Marine mammals are not only an important contributor to local ecosystems, but they serve as an entry point for broad environmental awareness and stewardship. Please act quickly to ensure experts can respond to the emergency swiftly and with the resources they require.



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			IVY JORDAN	Please consider allocating funding to this incredibly important ecological disaster that is affecting our current sea life.
			James Matthews	Please support the Marine Mammal Care Center as it continues to respond to the domoic acid crisis. I'm a citizen volunteer with the MMCC Pinniped Patrol. The concern and caring of the Board of Supervisors is greatly appreciated.
			Jane J	This matter is urgent. Local oceanic life is dying, and can be seen in distress when visiting the beach. Please apply all available resources to protecting our wildlife, in the face of this growing threat.
			Jason Wise	Please support our ocean wildlife! We need to show the world how we take care of every amazing living thing in and around our wonderful county.
			JB Letchinger	
			Jeanene Conant	Please support the work that the Marine Mammal Care Center is doing for LA County. The staff, volunteers, and the general public have all been working so hard to support our marine mammals. We need financial support now!
			Jeffrey Chung	
			Jeffrey Peak	I am a Santa Monica resident. I personally just donated to MMCC because they need more resources and are doing an excellent job. Please help them monetarily if possible. I'm a homeowner paying property taxes and would love some of that tax money collected to go to them.
			jeffrey thompson	
			Jenn Cossaboon	The sick animals and the team responding to them in this unprecedented bloom need attention and assistance! They are caring for the ecosystem that keeps your beaches and marine resources healthy, and need help.
			Jenna Pfefferle	We're calling on LA County to allocate available energy settlement funds to support MMCC's life-saving work.
			Jennie Pakradooni	
			Jennie Palluzzi	
			Jennifer Houseal	
			Jennifer Mandel	
			Jennifer B Bird	Marine Mammal Care Center is one of the only organizations keeping wildlife affected by the human-driven wildfires alive. We desperately need their support if we are to continue living in a healthy environment. I urge you to support MMCC today for the safety of Marine life and humans everywhere.

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			Jessica Hardesty	
			Jessica Perkins	This is drastically needed in response to the demonic acid.
			Jessica Sebastian	
			JESSICA WOLF	
			Joe Lisuzzo	Save marine mammals
			Johanna Moonan	
			John Warner	
			Jordan Ender	
			Jordyn Rourke	
			Joseph Kappel	help the animals and clean the beaches!!
			Josie Curone	Please help fund the rescue of marine mammals at the Marine Mammal Care center in San Pedro. Thank you.
			Judith K Diamond	Urging the Board of Supervisors to assist in the work provided for the stranded marine mammals. Let's do the right thing to support these efforts.
			Juli Schulz	Please support the main mammal center with our funding
			julian borrego	
			Julie D Keen-Leavenworth	
			Justin Kornmann	
			Justine Bellock	SAVE OUR MARINE MAMMALS
			Karen Dominguez	
			Kassandra Kocoshis	
			Kat Greenbaum	
			Kate DeWitt	Please they are experiencing an unnprecident amount of injured animals. This is impacting everyone. Please support them



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			Kate M Beauchene	I was born and raised in this area, support for stranded marine mammals has never been more vital than it is right now.
			Katherine A Mellinger	Please help our animals! We already have our federal administration cutting so many programs for our environment. Our animals need help more than ever
			Kathleen Landry	Please help address the rising number of stranded marine mammals, which many local and visiting beachgoers have noticed with increasing alarm.
			Kathleen Yore	Please this is urgent and greatly needed at this time. More funding for marine mammal care center MMCC. Thank you!
			Kathy Cullen	Animals need this critical funding now more than ever with all the currents cuts to so many much needed programs. Please support this motion!
			Kathy McLeod	
			Katie Singer	this is not *just* about these lovely animals. they are the canaries in the coal mine of what we are doing to our waters. please provide funding for the orgs that are willing to do the work in an attempt to reverse all the damage we humans have already wrought.
			Kaylee Hawkins	Please fund this important work. As a coastal resident, the influx of marine mammals in distress along our shorelines is alarming and signals to a broader public health crisis. Our communities deserve a more proactive approach to the environmental dangers embedded in our water, land and air surrounding the burn areas. The long term ramifications to human and animal life, as well as our environment, will continue to compound in the months and years to come without urgent actions. At minimum, please direct funds into one organization reacting with compassion and (more importantly) urgency to this long-term coastal disaster.
			Keely Rockefeller	Please support marine mammals in need of our support. The Marine Mammal Care Center does amazing work and needs more support.
			Kelsey Carson	The Marine Mammal Care Center needs every bit of funding you can give them. They don't have the numbers needed to respond to this crisis. Our marine life is a vital part of our coastal ecosystem and needs urgent help now.
			Kelsey M Hashimoto	



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			Kirstin Makela	
			Kristen Monk	Full funding please to help these animals suffering from DA. Our coastlines are precious and should be protected. Animals suffering on our beaches has an impact and will continue with global warming and pollution exacerbating the blooms. Funding should be accessible to do so. The city should provide funding just as it would for parks and animal shelters. The responsibility should not fall solely on non profits and volunteers. These hospitals are at capacity and a handful of people (including volunteers) are doing a job that requires more than what they can handle or should handle. Please grant full funding and make this a priority in the future as well. Not a single person wants to see an animal suffering when they are having a beach day with family and children. It's a safety issue as well.
			Kristen Stenz	The Marine Mammal Care Center is such a necessary cause for californias wildlife. Marine mammals are keystone species in californias ecosystem and need desperate help dealing with the domoic acid crisis! MMCC needs help caring for their patients!
			Kristen Twomey	MMCC works tirelessly year round to rehabilitate and study the marine mammals off our coast. Their research helps us understand what's going on in the ocean as a whole, and the facility educates people of all ages and walks of life. They've been overwhelmed with patients due to the recent DA bloom, and have already maxed out their budget for medicine and fish for the entire year. There are still many patients needing critical care, and the additional funding will help them provide for them!
			Kristin FitzGerald	Please Please help our beaches and marine life. It's why we all live here!! Fix before it's too late.
			Kristin Reeg	Please provide the funds needed to care for these sick animals!
			Kristy Gladysz	Support for the Marine Mammal Care Center is essential not only for the care of our local wildlifr but also ton keep our local beaches safe for our families. A quick response to assist a sick or injured animal or to remove a decease animal helps ensure accidental injuries do not occur between to the animal or human due to lack of understanding and care. The training and expertise MMCC provides to our communities is essential and must receive the necessary funding to maintain their response services during environmental emergencies like the DA bloom happening now.
			Kristy Smelser	
			Kyle Troxell	



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22.		Favor	Lani Chang	The MMC desperately needs funding to address the rise in stranded marine animals due to domoic acid in the ocean
			Lara Ludwinski	Wildlife is dying every day, we need more resources and help. This is not normal, I was born and raised here, and never saw this much death on the beach. Every day I walk the beach and am brought to tears, dolphins, seals, and birds. If we don't help them who will? More efforts need to be made to clean up, and we can only do that with more man power, and that takes more money. Anyone who calls this city home and does not favor this should be ashamed, how can you call this home and sit around talking in the comfort of your chair when they are sick and confused in pain and suffering?
			Laura Joy	The beaches need more help, they're still a mess. Dead animals aren't good for tourism and are also heartbreaking.
			Laura Livingston	
			Laura Matsuura	Save marine mammals!
			Laurel La Hansch	Please fund this vital work
			Lauren Dolinsky	
			Lauren E Tassi	
			Laurie Feldman	Marine life along the LA County coast has been horribly affected by both the run-off from the fires in January as well as climate change. Both of these elements are contributing to the overgrowth of red algae that is poisoning fish and marine mammals including sea lions, seals, dolphins, whales and birds. Sick marine animals who haul out on beaches are at risk from humans as well as posing a risk to humans. Caring for these animals reduces both risks. I implore you to support the only marine mammal care facility in LA County, The Marine Mammal Care Center of San Pedro.
			Lela Updegrave	
			Lessette Cetto	
			Lexie Dolan	We need to city to take responsibility for its failure to clean up and contain thousands of toxins into our water killing our marine and eventually health complications to residents
			Liliana Debonis	We have a moral obligation to take care of the ocean when we are part of the reason this is happening. It also indicates the health of the ocean and if marine mammals are struggling people definitely should not be swimming in that water



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22.		Favor	Linda de Ambrosio	The toxic algal bloom that is affecting marine mammals all along the California coast, particularly in Los Angeles County is unprecedented and catastrophic. It not only affects sea lions, but dolphins and whales. The Marine Mammal Care Center needs your support to continue to give these animals a second chance at life while educating the public and keeping them safe.
			Linda Ocampo	Please support
			LINDA C WASHBURN	This is an unprecedented epic event of Domoic Acid poisoning affecting not only seals and sea lions, but whales and dolphins. The amount of costly medication and tons of fish required to treat and support the recovering animals is growing exponentially. The MMCC is responsible for the rescue and treatment of these animals for the entire coastline of Los Angeles County as well as Catalina Island.
			Linda J Penrose	Please help save hundreds of marine mammals. This is vital to strengthen and assist our abilities to provide the quick responses and effective care for struggling and stressed animals. The numbers of stranded sick animals is increasing, due to ecological issues not of their making. I request that you all take this opportunity to act, on the behalf of those who can't ask, but absolutely need your help. Thank you so much. Linda Penrose
			Lindsay Coyle	We are experiencing the worst domoic acid toxic algae bloom ever. Hundreds of animals are dying, and a few lucky ones get rescued by MMCC. Dolphins experiencing domoic acid toxicity have 100 percent mortality rate. MMCC responds to these calls, humanely euthanizing stranded dolphins. The alternative is a slow painful death by drowning in the very water that is their habitat. The lucky ones, sea-lions and seals are taken to their care center, rehabilitated, and re-released. Please consider supporting Marine Mammal Care's work.
			Lindsay Petersen	This is a environmental disaster!! Its absolutely heartbreaking the amount of dead animals washing up, Marine Mammal care needs our funds to save these animals.
			Lindsey Hall	Support the Marine Mammal Care Center and help our local wildlife!
			Lisa Pusateri	Please save our marine mammals! I am a new volunteer and have seen first hand the rise in population over the last month at the center. It is important for the center to receive these funds for medications and food, so these beautiful animals can and get better and be released back into their ocean home.
			Lizbeth D Gonzalezruiz	Please help us save as many mammals as possible.
			Loretta Kania	

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22.		Favor	Lori Ehlers	
			Lori Olsen	Please help to support the Marine Mammal Care Center in the efforts to care for the sick marine mammals along our coast. They are doing an amazing job but need help from all cities to support and help with the sick animals along our coastline. This is one of the worst blooms ever and soon it will effect more that just the animals. Thank you so much for considering helping MMCC.
			Lorna Herf	Please do the right thing and help care for our oceans - this is a critical moment and the marine mammals need our help - the people who are working tirelessly to help save them need our funding and full support. Thank you.
			Lucas Hildebrand	This is a critical need for all citizens, tourists and marine mammals who exist within our coastal communities.
			Lynn Ballen	Please support this urgent item
			Lynn Jagger	Having seen these poor mammals, and what great job the MMCC here in San Pedro does, please help!
			Madeline Ocampo	Please protect our ocean and marine life. It is heartbreaking to see sea life suffering and we owe them our respect and protection and help. Please be a light during these dark times. Humanity in fact depends on the health of our oceans. This move would also be great for the bright global reputation of Los Angeles.
			Margaret Flynn	
			Mari P Bower	This is a devastating time that's only going to get worse and resources and facilities are already past their ability for the whole year and it's just May because this is the worst case in history. Domoic acid is what the birds in Alfred Hitchcocks the birds were suffering from, and much like that this is a real life horror movie unfolding and we must help these innocent helpless marine mammals.
			Marie R Maughan	Please allocate energy settlement funds to Marine Mammal Care Center for protection of marine life in Santa Monica Bay!



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22.		Favor	Mariel Eplboim	<p>Save our marine mammals. The ocean is our planet's greatest carbon sink—an essential ally in the fight against climate change—and yet we continue to poison it. How many more whales, dolphins, and sea lions must wash ashore before we act?</p> <p>These are not just animals—they are sentinels of ocean health. Their suffering is a direct reflection of our neglect.</p> <p>The ocean is a haven for biodiversity and a foundation of life on Earth. It gives us oxygen, regulates our climate, and even contributes to medical breakthroughs. Protecting marine life is not just ethical—it's necessary for our survival.</p> <p>Please, take urgent action to investigate and eliminate the sources of ocean pollution. Safeguard our coastlines. Strengthen marine protections. We must defend those who cannot speak for themselves—before it's too late.</p>
			Marisal Dobbins	
			Marlowe Cackin	URGENT ACTION IS NEEDED!!!
			Mary Kennan	It is imperative they receive the additional funds needed to treat the stranded marine mammals!
			Mary Leopo	
			Mary Michel	
			Mary C Hayes	Please help our wildlife.
			Mary E Palmer	Our oceans are in trouble. Caring for marine mammals is a simple way of helping the oceans recover.
			Mary W Kenney	Los Angeles County should support care for marine mammals suffering from the current crisis along the County coast. I am a long time supporter of MMCC and have visited the facility many times. I am proud that Los Angeles County has such a professional facility to care for the marine mammals living along our coast
			Maya Wali Richardson	
			Mayra Padilla Flores	In support of funding!
			Megan Sorel	Please help save our marine life!
			Mel A Dooley	
			Melissa Encinas	



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22.		Favor	Melissa sobolewski	Please give MMC the necessary funding to help seals and improve our coastlines. This administration failed two years ago but ignoring the problem - the thing is it's only going to get worse and our voices will only get louder. To live by the coast means to take care of the coast as well- to which you have failed. I am in support of all funding and supported needed and requested by the marine mammal care center
			Merrilyn Romen	
			Michael Grimm	
			Michael T Millan	
			Michelle Naden	please fund Marine Mammal Care center to help with this disaster
			Michelle Velderrain	This outbreak has been devastating to Southern California and I support any funds that can go to help this very valued organization that helps rehabilitate and protect beachgoers and marine mammals during this outbreak. It allows them to increase the capacity, which is already very strained, to bring in animals affected by domic acid to heal them as well as protect beach goers if they are infected by taking them into their facility. Thank you so much for taking this into consideration.
			Miguel Branas	
			Mikayla Mitchell	Absolutely in favor of this. Please save our marine life and CA beaches. Also WHY did our old comments not transfer over????
			Mike Miner	



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22.		Favor	Mila Salahuddin	<p>I am submitting this public comment in strong support of emergency funding for Marine Mammal Care, whose life-saving work has become even more urgent in light of the catastrophic domoic acid-based algal bloom currently devastating California's coast.</p> <p>This event—the most severe of its kind in recorded history—is causing mass strandings and deaths of sea lions, dolphins, and other marine mammals along our shorelines. Facilities like Marine Mammal Care are operating under extreme pressure as they respond to an unprecedented volume of rescues, medical interventions, and long-term rehabilitations. Without immediate financial support, these organizations risk being overwhelmed—putting both animal welfare and public safety at risk.</p> <p>Marine Mammal Care does not just protect ocean life. It also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shields the public from potentially hazardous marine mammal encounters.• Supports ecological stability through rescue, rehab, and data collection.• Contributes to marine science and climate adaptation research.• Educates communities and schools, building ocean stewardship for future generations. <p>Yet despite the essential services they provide, these organizations often rely on limited public funding and private donations. They should be seen as critical emergency responders within our coastal protection system—just as vital as fire departments, paramedics, or wildlife officers during environmental crises.</p> <p>I respectfully urge the Commission to immediately allocate emergency funding and establish a formal mechanism to integrate and financially support Marine Mammal Care and similar partners in ongoing coastal resilience efforts. Their expertise, infrastructure, and frontline dedication are irreplaceable, and they deserve to be treated as such.</p> <p>Thank you for your leadership and for taking swift action to protect both marine life and the health of our coastal ecosystems.</p> <p>Sincerely, Mila Salahuddin milasalahuddin@gmail.com</p>
			Morgan Bergson	Save seals and sea lions!!



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22.		Favor	Nahaleh Omranian	marine mammal care center has been responding non stop to marine mammals in distress along the entire Los Angeles coastline. these efforts are vital for both animal welfare and public safety, especially as mammals often strand on our popular beaches. without financial support MMC may be forced to reduce services leaving marine mammals without care and potentially compromising public health and safety. Please fund their efforts in this catastrophic time with all the dead and sick animals being washed up on our beaches which has increased tremendously since the Los Angeles fires and the increase of domoic acid in our ocean.
			Nancy Barret	Please support Marine Mammal Care Center to receive the funding needed to help marine mammals affected by domoic acid. Thank you!
			Natalia Novoa	Please help save our oceans and mammals. This finding must pass.
			Natasha G Lahera	
			Nickelle Presley	Save marine mammals
			Nina Snow	Please help the marine mammals!!
			Nina L Curone	Los Angeles is a destination for people from all over the world. Some of the biggest attractions are our beautiful beaches and the wild life that live there. Imagine those beaches with dead and dying animals without anywhere or anyone to help. That is what will happen if the Marine Mammal Care Center loses funding. Now,the Marine Mammal Care Center is busier than ever due to domoic acid poisoning of the creatures who live on our shores. They are rescuing and caring for hundreds of animals everyday. They are continuing the hard work of providing care and rehabilitation in order to return these animals to their natural habitat which enriches the lives of all who see them. Our beaches and the animals that live there are some of our local greatest treasures and should be treated as such. Please continue and increase funding for this necessary organization that enriches and preserves some of the greatest treasures in Los Angeles.
			Noa D Wilding	
			Patty Deninger	Please help MMCC rescue & provide much needed care to the unprecedented number of sick & dying marine mammals on the LA coast during this unusually long & harsh toxic algae bloom. Thank you.
			Patty H Laurie	Please help our oceans creatures by an urgent response to help with funds NOW!



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22.		Favor	Paul Ronney	The domoic acid crisis is affecting one of LA County's treasures, its marine mammals. I'm 68 and as a child growing up in the LA area and spending much time on the ocean I know that we had few marine mammals in our waters. Thanks to many efforts to reduce pollution as well as toxic chemicals such as lead (from gasoline) and DDT (from pesticides), our marine wildlife has flourished despite the pressures of being next to an urban environment with 10 million residents. This in itself is a tremendous accomplishment - what other coastal urban area of this population has such profoundly vibrant marine life? Volunteers at marine mammal rescues are doing everything they can, but they need additional resources to enable them to carry our beloved sea creatures through the domoic acid crisis.
			Peri Nathan	Save the marine mammals!
			Phoenix E	
			Rachel Delfin-Solis	This is critical funding to support the work that Marine Mammal Care Center does daily to care for our marine life and animals. With the rise in domoic acid in the warming waters, there is a higher amount of animals affected and the care center needs the funding to continue care.
			Randi R Parent	The work of the Marine Mammal Care Center in San Pedro is vital to the health of the marine life of the Southern California coast. With the alarming rise of sick animals affected by domoic acid poisoning, the Center is in dire need of additional resources to rescue sick wildlife and to provide aid for the recovery of sea lions, seals, and dolphins. The MMCC's work to rehabilitate sick and injured animals and the educational programs they provide for adults and the school children of LA County deserves your support."
			Raquel Jimenez	Not only is this our duty to our environment and its creatures but it is ESSENTIAL to restoring wonder and joy and whimsy to our beaches and its creatures - both of which are so integral to LA
			ray c olsen	please provide support the mammal center.
			Rebecca Malik	
			Rebecca Stone	Please! We need to help the animals suffering due to human causes!
			Robert Livingston	
			Roman O Butler	This is the least we can do for marine mammals. Do the right thing.
			Ross Wilson	Please help MMCC Receive funding from LA County!
			Sabrina Bates-Whited	



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22.		Favor	Sam butler	I am writing in full support of this measure to address the on-going and unprecedented crisis affecting the marine mammals along our coastlines. This will strengthen the ability of marine mammal organizations to respond quickly and effectively to the rising number of sick and stranded marine mammals.
			Sara Davis	
			Sara Johnson	<p>Dear LA County Supervisors,</p> <p>I strongly support the proposed funding for the Marine Mammal Care Center in response to domoic acid strandings. But I also urge the Board to recognize the critical infrastructure that enables this care: California's sterile compounding pharmacies.</p> <p>Over the past year, advocates across California and beyond have testified to the California Board of Pharmacy about the critical need to maintain and expand access to the state's sterile compounding pharmacies. Despite overwhelming and sustained opposition, the CA BOP has advanced stricter-than-federal regulations without any scientific or legal motivation that dramatically restrict pharmacist fulfillment, clinician prescribing, and patient access to sterile compounded medications. Specifically, during the March 11, 2025, California Board of Pharmacy Sunset Review, a specialized veterinary pharmacist from Marin County testified about treating wild sea lions "seizing uncontrollably" from domoic acid poisoning using these specialized compounded medications that are unavailable commercially. This clearly highlights the essential role that compounding pharmacies play in veterinary and human emergency response.</p> <p>Yet California's sterile compounding infrastructure is on the brink of collapse due to unnecessary and punitive regulatory actions against compounding pharmacies. These actions have created a chilling effect, deterring even legally compliant out-of-state sterile compounders from shipping essential medications to California due to fear of regulatory reprisals. Patients like me and these sea mammals poisoned by neurotoxic algae blooms are suffering the most.</p> <p>Ten years ago, California had more than 100 compounding pharmacies. Now fewer than 15 remain capable of producing sterile medications under CA BOP control. These rules, which were developed outside proper public process and constitute underground regulations, threaten to eliminate life-saving access for both animals and humans by enforcing standards misaligned with the realities of community-based sterile compounding.</p> <p>The Board of Pharmacy ignored widespread expertise and practical concerns from pharmacists, physicians, veterinarians, patients, industry representatives</p>

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and legal experts. This is an urgent access crisis. Each week, sterile compounds that treat sea mammals, people, and especially our first responders and firefighter to the urban wildfires, are increasingly difficult to obtain. Without corrective intervention, California will completely lose the capacity to produce emergency formulations critical to marine mammals, pediatric patients, and immunocompromised residents.

You are allocating substantial funding to address a toxic bloom that will inevitably happen again. But the tools to respond, to compounded, species-specific medications, are rapidly disappearing.

I respectfully request that the Board:

- Formally advocate to the Legislature for an emergency pause and thorough review of CA BOP's compounding regulations, utilizing established County advocacy procedures.
- Instruct County Counsel to explore drafting or joining legal action challenging CA BOP's underground regulations, authorized under Gov. Code § 25203.
- Explicitly acknowledge MMCC's reliance on sterile compounding pharmacies in the motion record, fully within the Board's control through a simple amendment or finding.
- Direct County departments (Beaches & Harbors, Emergency Management, Public Health, CEO) to study and report back on local impacts resulting from sterile compounding loss, under Calif. Gov. Code §§ 25200–25203.

LA County is the State's largest local government. A formal Board motion or letter carries significant political weight in Sacramento, especially tied to urgent wildlife and public health crises. By documenting the local emergency-response impacts, the County can create an evidentiary record the State must consider, following your precedent on similar state advocacy efforts.

Thank you for your time and continued service,
Sara Johnson

Los Angeles, CA 90026
Constituent, First District – Supervisor Hilda Solis

Sarah Hall	Something has to be done about the animals consistently dying on our beaches. It is our fault after all.
Sarah Sulentor	Emergency funded needed. We're experiencing a large number of marine mammal deaths as a result of the poisonous run off from the fires into our ocean water.
Sarah van Schagen	



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			Sharon Schaffer	
			Shaun Apffel	Support full funding proposed by Marine Mammal center groups
			Shaun Morey	As a Marine Mammal Care Center volunteer I have seen firsthand the terrible effects of this year's extreme toxic algae bloom. Dozens of sea lions and dolphins are stranding daily along our most popular beaches. It is heartbreaking to watch these mostly female sea lions on the sand in fits of seizures while explaining to locals and tourists that we are trying our best to rescue them but that we are overwhelmed by the sheer volume of sick mammals. Dolphins are also stranding in unprecedented numbers and must be humanely euthanized. But we only have four rescue trucks and the distance the rescuers must travel to save a single sea lion can take hours. Please help us help these animals and keep our incredible beaches free of dead and dying sea mammals.
			Shauna Espinoza	
			Shea M Millan	
			Sheila Lease	
			Shelley Bernstein	The domoic acid crisis has been awful to watch and we are lucky to have organizations Marine Mammal Care Center on the front lines of care. Please consider supporting their work. It's really critical for a safe and healthy ocean. So grateful to them.
			Sherry L Sherman	Urgent Response to a Rise in Stranded Marine Mammals Affected by Domoic Acid Along Los Angeles County Beaches. I would like to request FULL FUNDING of this, please.
			Sheryl Lee	
			Stephanie Grubbs	The marine mammal care center provides an important service to the public by rescuing sick animals from our local beaches and should be funded by the communities that benefit.
			Stephanie Inouye	Please release emergency funds to rescue these helpless animals. It is not their fault. It is our duty to protect them since we failed to protect their home.
			Stephanie Jacksen	
			Stephanie Shipley	
			Stephanie Vallejo	Our oceans are critical because they help capture carbon. The marine wildlife is an important ecosystem. We are failing both because of our humanistic selfish destructive nature. The failure of our governmental agencies to clean up after the horrific fires by the coastal have caused the pollution to reach our oceans and hurt these fragile ecosystems. It is completely unacceptable that we have allowed this to happen. Thus it is our responsibility to help these wonderful and innocent creatures become healthy and go back into their habitats. We can't do that unless you help! I urge two things today. The first, that you grant the Marine Mammal Care (MMCC) funds to help care for these creatures and second that you consider passing

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	legislation to never allow the building of homes or commercial buildings on the coastlines so close to the oceans. Thank you for your time.
Steve Sorensen	Please help fund this critically important issue and support the Marine Mammal Care Center.
Susan Dell	MMPC works every day to serve the public interest in protecting our oceans. The staff, vets, donors, and volunteers all work together to heal diseased, injured, and abandoned sea mammals which otherwise endanger one another, other animals, and humans. They are currently battling a horrendous Dominic virus caused by human initiated overgrowth of algae, which quite literally makes the animals violently crazy. This organization is run efficiently, maximizing every dollar. This is not a zoo, this is a mission of public safety and trust, and it deserves our funding.
Susan Harker	Please fund treatment of marine mammals & birds sickened with domoic acid. Cost of fish & antibiotics in caring for sickened marine life is expensive. I donate monthly to Marine Mammal Care Center to help. Please also help in saving marine mammals that share their ocean with us.
Susan Laffer	It has been heartbreaking to watch marine mammals affected by Domoic Acid struggle and frustrating that resources to help are so limited. Please fund the important work MMCC is doing. Thank you.
Talia Goldstein	
Tamara Beaubien	We know there is a MAJOR problem when large mammals like whales and dolphins are washing up on our shores due to demoic acid poisoning. We have been issued a BIG warning sign that something is threatening the health of our ocean and we are all reliant on the ocean for 50% of our oxygen among so many other things. This is an emergency. We need to address this issue for the sake of our ocean-dependent life, for the beauty and bounty that our beaches offer and for the overall health of our planet.
Tamara Davis	I'm urging the council to increase support for the Marine Mammal Center, which is currently overwhelmed by the worst domoic acid bloom in history. This neurotoxin is poisoning sea lions and other marine mammals at an alarming rate, and the Center is struggling to keep up with rescues and care. This isn't just about animals — it's about protecting our ocean ecosystem and coastal health. Please act quickly to provide emergency resources and support.
Tanya Caycedo	
Tatiana Gray	Please financially support the organization that helps care for these animals.
Tess De Maeseneer	
Travis Rogers	
Travis Roop	I strongly endorse urgent action to address the rise in stranded marine mammals affected by domoic acid along LA County beaches. Rapid response efforts are essential to protect public health, support marine wildlife rescue operations, and preserve coastal ecosystem balance.

			Trevor Horton	Our marine wildlife deserve our help.
			Vanessa De la garza	
			Vanessa De Leon	The ocean is showing how sick and in need it is of being cared for. The aftermath of the fires and the devastation it's causing to marine animals should be treated like an oil spill. These dead and dying animals need appropriate care and dignity.
			Vanessa Gibson	Save & protect marine mammals!
			Vivian Geiseler	Please direct funding toward the Marine Mammal Care Center and their efforts to support marine mammals affected by the ongoing, toxic algal bloom.
			Wendy Arnold	
			Wendy Williams	This organization is very important for our oceans and sea life. It's also an asset to the community in terms of STEM and education.
			William Vacca	
			Xochitl San Vicente	
		Other	Elizabeth Erpelding-Garratt	Please allocate available energy settlement funds to support the Marine Mammal Care Center's life-saving work for these poor, suffering, stranded dolphins and sea lions. These poisoned animals need expert help. The MMCC is the only rescue and rehabilitation facility serving all of Los Angeles County's 70 miles of coastline. They are at capacity, underfunded, and fielding hundreds of emergency calls every week — yet they receive no consistent public funding from the County.
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I strongly support the proposed funding for the Marine Mammal Care Center in response to domoic acid strandings. But **I also urge the Board to recognize the critical infrastructure that enables this care: California's sterile compounding pharmacies.**

Over the past year, advocates across California and beyond have testified to the California Board of Pharmacy about the critical need to maintain and expand access to the state's sterile compounding pharmacies. Despite overwhelming and sustained opposition, **the CA BOP has advanced stricter-than-federal regulations without any scientific or legal motivation that dramatically restrict pharmacist fulfillment, clinician prescribing, and patient access to sterile compounded medications.** Specifically, during the March 11, 2025, California Board of Pharmacy Sunset Review, **a specialized veterinary pharmacist from Marin County testified about treating wild sea lions "seizing uncontrollably" from domoic acid poisoning using these specialized compounded medications** that are unavailable commercially. This clearly highlights the essential role that compounding pharmacies play in veterinary and human emergency response.

Yet California's **sterile compounding infrastructure is on the brink of collapse** due to unnecessary and punitive regulatory actions against compounding pharmacies. These actions have created a chilling effect, deterring even legally compliant out-of-state sterile compounders from shipping essential medications to California due to fear of regulatory reprisals. **Patients like me and these sea mammals poisoned by neurotoxic algae blooms are suffering the most.**

Ten years ago, California had more than 100 compounding pharmacies. Now fewer than 15 remain capable of producing sterile medications under CA BOP control. **These rules**, which were developed outside proper public process and **constitute underground regulations, threaten to eliminate life-saving access for both animals and humans** by enforcing standards misaligned with the realities of community-based sterile compounding.

The Board of Pharmacy ignored widespread expertise and practical concerns from pharmacists, physicians, veterinarians, patients, industry representatives and legal experts. This is an urgent access crisis. Each week, **sterile compounds that treat sea mammals, people, and especially our first responders and firefighter to the urban wildfires, are increasingly difficult to obtain.** Without corrective intervention, **California will completely lose the capacity to produce emergency formulations critical to marine mammals, pediatric patients, and immunocompromised residents.**

You are allocating substantial funding to address a toxic bloom that will inevitably happen again. But the tools to respond, to compounded, species-specific medications, are rapidly disappearing.

I respectfully request that the Board:

- **Formally advocate to the Legislature for an emergency pause** and thorough review of CA BOP's compounding regulations, utilizing established County advocacy procedures.
- Instruct County Counsel to **explore drafting or joining legal action challenging CA BOP's underground regulations**, authorized under Gov. Code § 25203.
- Explicitly **acknowledge MMCC's reliance on sterile compounding** pharmacies in the motion record, fully within the Board's control through a simple amendment or finding.
- Direct County departments (Beaches & Harbors, Emergency Management, Public Health, CEO) to **study and report back on local impacts resulting from sterile compounding loss**, under Calif. Gov. Code §§ 25200–25203.

LA County is the State's largest local government. **A formal Board motion or letter carries significant political weight in Sacramento, especially tied to urgent wildlife and public health crises.** By documenting the local emergency-response impacts, the County can create an evidentiary record the State must consider, following your precedent on similar state advocacy efforts.

Thank you for your time and continued service,

Sara Johnson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. L. Johnson".

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13.		Favor	Abbey Campbell	
			Abby Burton	
			Abigail Wung	
			Adam Lazarus	Essential!
			Adam Lesinski	
			Adam Reker	
			Adela Congdon	
			Adele Kaufman	This organization does a great job in helping sick and stranded sea mammals!!!
			Adia Harrison	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles county
			Adrien Carter	
			Adrienne Hunter	
			Ah lan Ferrara	
			Aide Duran	Marine Mammal
			Alec Amburg	
			Alex Lombardi	Help save marine mammals!
			Alexander Polish	
			Alexandra Elber	This is essential to the health of our marine ecosystem and to the public - many of them tourists and children wanting to know how or when they will be cared for. Many have told me they left the beach depressed because of all of the strandings and the animals and the time is coming for seal pups to need rescue and care. Without a budget for that the animals will be left to die.
			Alexis Pavenick	Please support these animals!
			Alicia McDaid	
			Alina Kelly	local marine mammals affected by domoic acid cover all parts of the marine food chain and keeping our local beaches and water safe for the food chain is key for local ecosystem health.
			Alina Schoepfer	
			Aline Hovanky	Please help to save marine mammals in Los Angeles County! This is so devastating and preserving biodiversity is so crucial!

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13.		Favor	Alison Dice	Please make sure that The Marine Mammal Care Center in San Pedro get the emergency funding they need to take care of the many sea animals that are sick and need immediate rehabilitation for Domoic Acid Poisoning that is killing sea lions and seabirds.
			Alison Godin	
			Alison Lopez	Please help these sick marine mammals! I walk and jog the beach from Will Rogers to Santa Monica several times a week for the past 20 years and this is the worst I have ever seen!
			Alissa Ulanday	Help save marine mammals affected by this and keep our beaches safe for everyone
			Allison DeCracker	
			Alysa Gould	
			Alyss Estay	
			Alyssa Cruz	Save our beloved marine mammals in LA County!
			Alyssa Dalton	
			Amanda Kang	
			Amanda Skerski	
			Amanda Skerski	
			Amber Francis	Help protect marine mammals in LA county!!
			Amber Unger	
			Amelia D Falkenstein	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County
			Amy Palmer	
			Amy Phillips	Save marine mammals in LA County!
			Amy L Kern	
			anastasia kawa	our community is causing these problems with runoff and we need to take care of our oceans and marine life.
			Andrea Baluca	
			Andrea Chan	With the ongoing attacks on NOAA, we need more support at the local level for marine mammals. Please help the marine mammal care center organizations.



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13.		Favor	Andrea Jesson	<p>Dear Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,</p> <p>I strongly support Agenda Item #13: Urgent Response to a Rise in Stranded Marine Mammals Affected by Domoic Acid Along Los Angeles County Beaches.</p> <p>We are currently witnessing an alarming increase in stranded and suffering sea lions and dolphins along our shores. These animals are victims of domoic acid poisoning, and too many are dying without timely intervention. This is not only a critical animal welfare issue, but also a public health and environmental concern that requires immediate resources and action.</p> <p>Marine mammal rescue organizations are overwhelmed. They need urgent support—from additional response funding to better coordination and access—to save lives and protect both our marine ecosystems and coastal communities.</p> <p>Please vote yes on Item 13. Let Los Angeles County be a leader in responding swiftly and compassionately to this crisis.</p> <p>Sincerely, Andrea Jesson</p>
			Andrea Matson-deKay	
			Andrea Miner	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Andrea Moeller	
			Andrea D Knowles	This is not only a domoic acid issue. This is a fire issue. Newsom's executive order needs to be enacted immediately
			Andrew Majeste	
			Andrew Rivera	
			Andrew Walden	
			Andrew R Owings	
			Angel Tiernan	
			Angela Carter	It is our obligation and honor to care for All beings in our area. Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!



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13.		Favor	Name
			Comments
			Angela Chen
			There are many incidents of marine mammals exhibiting strange behavior due to domoic acid poisoning, where they are disoriented and cause increased human-animal interactions. This can lead to dangerous events such as people being bitten. Especially as the weather is warming up and more people head to the beaches, urgent action is needed to make sure these animals can receive the medical care they need to recover and prevent harm to both humans and animals.
			Angela - Moini
			Angela M Arroyo
			Angelina Vollucci
			Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Angelina C Altobano
			Angelina K De La Mora
			Ann Paour
			Support is needed to protect the public and the mammals
			ANNE BERGMAN
			The work of the Marine Mammal Care Center in San Pedro is vital to the health of the marine life of the Southern California coast. With the alarming rise of sick animals affected by domoic acid poisoning , the Center is in dire need of additional resources to rescue sick wildlife and to provide aid for the recovery of sea lions, seals, and dolphins. The MCCC's work to rehabilitate sick and injured animals and the educational programs they provide for adults and the school children of LA County deserves your support.
			Anne C Cummings
			please help save our marine mammals
			Anne L Kissel
			Anneke Blair
			Annette Cleary
			Maintain the care for sea life.
			Antoinette Piraino
			The MMCC LA does such amazing work to help these animals immediately and also contribute to research to better the future. I am a senior veterinary student and just completed a month long externship with them in the middle of the domoic acid bloom. Everyone there provides exceptional care for the animals, and still took time to teach me despite the overwhelming number of patients. I had an invaluable experience that not only enriched my education, but gave me the opportunity to be a helping hand during such a trying time. LA county is lucky to be home to a center as dedicated as MMCC LA, and would be smart to invest in them, their patients, and all the outstanding contributions they make to those around them.
			April Telles



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13.		Favor	Araceli Aguila	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles county!
			Arian Cisneros	
			Arnaud Laine	
			Ashish Gupta	
			ashlan a cousteau	
			ashley esparza	Help save our marine mammals!
			Ashley Fondrevay	
			Ashley Mauzy	
			Ashley B Hurwitz	
			Ashley L Quincey	
			Asia Mailangkay	
			Asuka Kawakami	
			Audrey Ishimoto	
			Aurora Li	Please help our animals. This should not be how they live their life
			Autumn Schiano	
			Avalon Silver	
			Barbara Lewak	
			Barbara Wadkins	The Marine Mammal center has been on the leading edge of saving our pinnipeds for many years. A quick visit to their website, or better yet to their facility, and you will understand how crucial their work is not only to marine mammals, our oceans and beaches, but to Los Angeles and California. Pinnipeds are bioindicators whose health can signal broader problems in our ecosystem. We live on the beach in Malibu where we are continually reminded of the dire situation these sea creatures are facing. We can always count on the Marine Mammal Center to help stranded seals and sea lions. We donate as individuals, but much more help is needed. This is a profoundly worthy cause and an outstanding organization run by truly caring professionals who deliver results. Please ear mark funding for this important cause!
			Beal Family	They do life-saving work for marine mammals



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13.		Favor	Becky Cochran	As an open water swimmer, I can tell you that I've seen the devastating effect of domoic poisoning on our sealife. MMC center provides an invaluable service in rehabilitating and returning these animals to the ocean.
			Bella Guzman	
			Benjamin Tyrrell	
			Benjamin D Behar	
			Bernice Lake	
			Betty Uyeda	Save our world's marine mammals. Thank you for caring.
			Bill Chen	
			Bobbie L Casalino-Lewis	Please save our sea mammals
			Bonni Sheehan	
			Brandon Michel	
			Brandy Nakano	
			Brayden Krueger	
			Brenda Arechiga	
			Brent Wagstaff	
			Brett Cambria	
			Brianna Ahlmark	
			Brianne Dobson	PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE vote in favor of this. These sea animals need our help. I personally have called MMCC for two sick sea lions, and the second time I called, they were actually at the beach that afternoon picking up a dead dolphin. These animals need our help, especially since the run-off from the rains after the fires and the Phos-Chek has contributed to the algae bloom in the oceans significantly. I also live in San Pedro and these people are amazing and do amazing work for the coastal communities and helping these sea creatures. I've also been fortunate enough to be on the beach when they have done returns of the sea lions back into the ocean and it's an amazing thing to watch and see them go back home after human assistance for their sickness.
			Bridgit OBrien	
			Brittany Guiselman	



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13.		Favor	Brittany Lee	
			Brittany Low	
			Brittany Singer	
			Brittany Stevens	The Marine Mammal Care Center of Los Angeles is experience a large influx of critically ill animals that need care due to the recent domoic acid bloom. Additional funding to help care for these animals is sorely needed!
			Brody Zimmerman	
			Brooke Anderson	
			Brooke Stutz	
			Brooklyn Fabick	marine mammal
			Calla M Donahue	
			Camila Jara	
			Camille Stiverson	
			Camirin Farmer	
			Candice Cross	
			Carl Hوجلund	
			Carla Pennington	
			Carlos Mathys	
			Carly Tailor	
			Carmella Songhorian	This is URGENT and the marine mammals are SUFFERING.
			Carol Caldwell	
			Carol Teye	The domoic acid crisis is severely affecting the population of marine mammals.
			Carol A Washburn	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles!
			Carole Stepp	Please help them.
			Carolina Kroon	The work being done by the Marine Mammal Care Center is vital, not only for the marine mammals they care for, but for the health of the ocean as a whole. Please support them.
			Carolina Pereira	



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13.		Favor	Carrie Muse	They need this money for all the sea life coming to shore! Please help them!
			Catherine Wah	
			Cathy Turner	Please assist with this environmental crisis to save our sea mammals
			Cece Anderson	
			Celeste M Archambault	I'm from out of state, but have visited this place and it means a lot to me.
			Chareen Kossoff	
			Charmaine Cosky	
			Charna L Blakely	
			Chelsea Cimato	
			Cheryl Slobodian	
			Chris Huff	Significant health & safety issue on LA County beaches. This is an unusual event that requires support from a number of agencies in LA County.
			Chris Miller	Please help with the funding to help these marine mammals.
			Christian Apanecatl	
			Christian Tumasella	
			Christiana Prekopa	
			Christina Dunbar	I am in favor of increasing funding to mitigate the increase in sickened marine mammals, who suffer awfully without medical treatment. I have had the misfortune of encountering an afflicted sea lion during the current wave of domoic acid poisoning, and I assure you it is deeply inhumane to not treat them.
			Christina Fisher	
			Christina Fried	
			Christina Miller	Please help save them!



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13.		Favor	Christina Zabalza	The center has taken care of the marine life and educated the public for many years. They continue to provide a crucial need for rescue of marine mammals in Southern California. many community members remember coming here for visits and opening the eyes to our precious and valuable marine life and ecosystems. In addition, seeing the marine life up close helps to spark interest for future generations to protect and build infrastructure for protection of human life during recreational activities and marine life in the water. Right now the center is in desperate need of additional funds for the rate of mammals coming in from recent higher concentrations of domoic acid in the waters. Please help fund the center and keep operations running smoothly during this time. Many community members have seen marine mammals on the beaches and are completely distraught at what is happening to them. With this help in funding the care center can reach greater potential to help their capacity . Please consider to vote yes. Thank you
			Christine DaQuip	
			Christine Elkins	
			Christine Quesada	
			Christine Romero McCoy	Please support the Marine Mammal Care Center!
			Christine M Char-Kulon	
			Christine M Wojtowich	Please help the Marine Mammal Center with funding to aid our marine mammals off the LA County cost affected by the algae bloom. They do wonderful work in helping the helpless mammals. Now it is their turn to get some (financial) help. Thank you very much!
			Christopher Lang	
			Cindy Flynn	
			Cindy Mills	Fire run off and global warming have created unprecedented number of marine mammals sick and dying on our beaches.
			Cinthia Vasconcelos	
			Cj Fenn	
			Claire Dombrowski	
			Clara Pollard	
			Clare Schuett-Hall	
			Clarissa Gonzalez	



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13.		Favor	Clarissa Salem	
			Claudia Reed	
			Cole Ficklin	
			Colin Hurlburt	
			Colleen Miller	Save the Whales!!
			Connie Yocum	This is a public health and safety issue!
			Courtney Bean	In favor
			Courtney King	
			Craig Dewey	
			Crystal Echols	
			Cyndi L Wicks	
			Cynthia Higgins	Please help these precious creatures.
			Cynthia Mata	
			Cyrene Underhill	Save marine mammals in LA County!
			Dahn Gyavira	Marine Mammal
			Dan Franden	
			Dani Zacky	Please support the recover efforts for our marine mammals suffering from Dominic acid poisoning. They are suffering from our shortcomings and we need to be responsible.
			Daniel Armijo	
			Daniel Franco	
			Daniel Hernandez	
			Daniel Zealand	The domoic acid is terrible this year. Please help us save marine mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Daniela Valles	Our marine life is dying from fire damage runoff and they need our help!
			Danielle Alvarado	
			Danielle Corey	
			Darcy Carroll	

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13.		Favor	Daria Brooks	As the author of the 'A Legacy of the Pacific' series of marine ecology stories, I am horrified that we on land are again causing severe distress to our local marine mammals. We need an immediate halt to the release of domoic acid, cat litter and other pollutants and faster response time and treatment for our ocean-faring friends. We stand in favor of the motion.
			David Bader	
			David Godin	
			David Negrete	
			David Santos	
			David Serota	
			David Sutrin	
			Dawn Casillas	
			Debbi Nelson	
			Deborah Downie	
			Deborah Rizzo	
			Debra Schuett	
			Debra M Allen	MMCC does wonderful work. I have taken my son and now my grandson there for educational events. They do such great outreach and provide rescue and rehab for so many animals please support them during this critical time.
			Delaney Chand	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles county!!
			Della Metanai	
			Denise Ribeiro	Save Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Denise A Bloomfield	
			Denise M Shay	
			Dennis Dominguez	
			Denson White	Critical situation.... Tons of volunteers in the community are helping, but funding is needed.
			Dhwani Jogani	
			DIANNE MILLER	
			Diego Torres	



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13.		Favor	Dominic Pace	
			Donna Diamond	As a long-time volunteer at MMCC Los Angeles, I implore the Board to support the heroic efforts of the Marine Mammal Care Center in San Pedro to rescue, rehabilitate and release sea lions that are affected by Domoic Acid poisoning. The rescue team, hospital staff and volunteers are working tirelessly to meet the demands of this event, which has affected all Los Angeles County beaches, potentially putting animals and humans in harms way. But the scope of this algae bloom is placing an extraordinary financial strain on the hospital at their busiest time of year, and they need your help. Please provide as much financial support as possible to save the sea lions, part of the incredibly diverse California ocean environment that we all share. I greatly appreciate your consideration of this issue.
			Donna Dutcher	<p>The small, mostly privately-funded nonprofit Marine Mammal Care Center Los Angeles ("MMCC") provides a vital public health and safety service for Los Angeles County by expertly rescuing and safely/humanely removing for treatment sick and stranded seals and sea lions from our 70+ miles of coastline.</p> <p>For more than 30 years, MMCC quietly operated in the background with little fanfare. However, the repeated domoic acid crises of late, which have turned our ocean toxic, have thrust the importance of MMCC's services into the national spotlight and shown clearly that more resources (including public resources) are necessary for MMCC's lifesaving work. MMCC is stretched beyond the capacity of its private support.</p> <p>Why does this matter? Los Angeles County beaches cannot operate safely and provide a positive visitor experience without MMCC's services. Marine mammals poisoned by domoic acid may weigh several hundred pounds, are often aggressive from the effects of neurotoxicity, and are federally protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act. MMCC is the only entity in our county providing 24/7/365 response and care for the hundreds of marine mammals that strand on Los Angeles County beaches every year due to injury or illness. These marine mammals cannot stay on our beaches to potentially recover -- there is no place in our County coastline where sick and injured animals can rest and rehabilitate away from people. Without MMCC's services and hospital facilities, hundreds of protected, large, sick or dying marine mammals would be left to die on our beaches every year.</p> <p>The County simply cannot afford to face such an open, public, and clearly significant threat to human health and safety, when a relatively small, regular public investment (that could be raised from things like a tack-on beach parking fee) could ensure that MMCC continues its expert work.</p>
			Donna Kumamoto	

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13.		Favor	Donna Stocker-Lofgren	The Pacific is undoubtedly Southern California's greatest asset. I have been and ocean lover and advocate my entire life remembered. To paddle and swim in this beautiful environment is a blessing and the only place I truly escape the noise and unrest on land. However, to paddle and see deceased sea lions floating in the harbor and out at sea on 8 of my last ten paddles has been heartbreaking. Please take the time and consider a desperate plea for assistance.
			Donna L Harris	Please support our endangered marine mammals!
			Dora Berry	
			Dorian Davis	
			Doris Borjon	Let's help those innocent, sick creatures please!
			Dylan Sluder-Brehm	
			Dylan Vyne	
			Eden Millan	
			Edgar Linares	
			Edward Boldero	
			Edwin Gastanaga	
			Elaine Wah	
			Elena Banales	These animals are critical to the ecosystem and part of Los Angeles. We need to support them.
			Elena Tillman	Save marine mammals in LA county!
			Elisabeth Balmer	Save Marine mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Elisabeth Fried	
			Elisabeth G Ryan	
			Elise Bell	Please fund the volunteer organizations taking care of stranded and poisoned marine mammals on our shores.
			Elizabeth Lemmenes	
			Elizabeth Rumery	This is a health and safety issue. More resources are urgently needed to insure the health of our sea lion and other marine mammal populations. In addition to protecting the safety of our beach going public.
			Elizabeth Slome	



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			Elizabeth Turner
			These poor animals need help! I visited last week- we must fund the angels doing this amazing work to save the marine mammals!
			Elizabeth A Wheaton
			in favor of urgent support for stranded marine mammals
			Elizabeth M Schwegler
			Elizabeth M Smith
			As we go into summer it's vital to protect the residents, tourists and suffering marine life by supporting funding to help the already over-taxed organizations and volunteers helping to address the Domoic Acid bloom fallout.
			Ella Echipare
			Ellen D Cantor
			Elliot Bodenmiller
			Elsa Cheng
			em callaghan
			Emanuele Ferrara
			Save Marine Mammals in LA county
			Emely Martinez
			Emerson Barry
			Emil Babadjov
			Emilia Sintora
			Emily Alonso
			Emily Bernstein
			Emily Lee
			Emily Long
			Emily Nilsson
			Emily W Loughran
			Please help MMCC do their excellent work helping these marine mammals survive this current upsurge and elevation of very toxic domoic acid that is poisoning these helpless animals. Funding this group allows them to remove and hopefully rehabilitate the suffering animals that pose a hazard to the public. Both the public and our marine life need MMCC. They perform an ESSENTIAL service for the county for which they should be PAID. Thank you for supporting this highly effective group that will use any funding efficiently and for our collective benefit.
			Emma Kaufold



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13.		Favor	Emma OConnor	Save marine animals in LA county
			Eric Chang	We need to protect our ocean and take immediate action to save marine life. This crisis demands urgent support and funding to ensure the survival of our coastal ecosystem and the animals that depend on it.
			Eric A Hayes	
			Eric J Allen	
			Eric R Luhrs	
			Erica Nouza	
			Erica Vincenzi	
			Erik Bianchi	
			Erika Cooper	
			Erika Ono-Kerns	
			Erika J Robinson	HELP MMCC with monies to help our sea life!
			Erin Ohlenkamp	Already limited resources are being extremely strained with the enormous numbers of affected marine mammals. Animals will suffer immensely without help.
			Ermelinda Viray McLaren	
			Evelyn Hasama	
			Ezequiel Acunna	
			Farah Flores	
			Farrah Wong	
			Faye Lee	
			Fernanda Orman	Save Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Frances McCash	
			FrancesD D Du Bois	
			Frank Dipolito	Very sad to see the distressed marine mammals, fish and birds in Santa Monica Bay.
			Frank Spencer	



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13.		Favor	Freya Wilby	
			Gabriella Stevens	Urgent action is needed to save marine mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Gabrielle Alejandro	
			Gabrielle Payne	
			Gail Goulet	
			Gary L Hart	
			Gavin Gauss	
			Georgia Wood	Save the marine mammals!!
			Gianinna Kumagai	Please, help! This is a crisis. It's very disturbing to see those beautiful animals suffering on the beaches. Thank you!
			Gianna Sommese	
			Gianni Vollucci	
			Gillian Mosapor	
			Ginamarie Will	This facility is not only critical for educating kids about the marine ecosystem, but is also the only facility in the area equipped to care for sick marine mammals. It is vital that we continue to support it, as stewards of our oceans and the animals that live there.
			Ginny Rankin	Help the hundreds of sick mammals! This year's toxic algae bloom along with fire debris toxins have made a record number of sea animals sick. This is a crisis that deserves state funding.
			Giuliana Sutrin	
			Glenn Saks	
			Grace Cha	
			Graeme Brough	So many affected sea animals
			Gregory Kulin	
			Hailey Peirce	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Hal Kroon	Please find the funds to help save these sea mammals who have been greatly adversely affected by the recent Pallisades and Eaton Fires.
			Hannah Dinsdale	In favor
			Hannah Gliemann	



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13.		Favor	Hannah Sierra	
			harris silver	Add a zero give them 7m
			Heather Dinsdale	
			Heather Fitzgerald	Please allocate funds needed to help the sea lions due to toxicity and malnutrition occurring
			Heather Krueger	Please help our marine life. It is so sad, I live in Manhattan Beach and have seen marine life affected by domoic acid. The Marine Mammal Care Centwr was contacted to pick them up. This is beyond sad. We as humans are responsible. We need to help the animals. Please provide funds to help our marine life, sea lions, seals, dolphins, whales, birds, etc. thank you so much
			Heather Malone	
			Heidi Buech	We cannot ignore this situation, it is cruel, inhumane and we have to help all these animals being affected by the Domoic Acid along LA County Beaches.
			Heidi Obrien	
			Houda Zakeri	
			Iara Kim	
			IRENE GILGOFF	
			Irlanda Barahona	
			Itzel Gallardo	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!!!!
			Itzel Molenaar	
			Ivana Valverde Favela	
			Jack Fatheree	
			Jack Schultenover	
			Jacob Tyrrell	
			Jacob T Hoisington	
			Jacqueline Ambriz	



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13.		Favor	jacquelyne may	There is a crisis. In our ocean causing marine mammals to suffer and die. It's heartwrenching enough but it also causes a public health and safety concern. The marine mammal care center is the sole agency that addresses the needs of these animals. Since they rely on 501c3 donations it has been inadequate to meet current needs. This algae bloom causing Domoic Acid poisoning has gotten worse each year. In order to keep people safe they need more funding! I urge you to pass this legislation and give MMCC the resources they need to continue their work. Thank you.
			Jade Risser	
			Jaida Lindsay	
			Jaime Hasama	Protect marine mammals and our beaches!
			James Brown	
			James Royer	
			James F Matthews	I am grateful that the Board of Supervisors recognizes that the Marine Mammal Care Center needs monetary assistance during the current crisis. I have been volunteering at MMCC for approximately 2 years in the Pinniped Patrol unit which assists the Marine Mammal Rescue team and lifeguards with marine mammals in distress. Without volunteers the MMCC would not function. Any assistance the Board of Supervisors can give with monetary support to the MMCC will be greatly appreciated by all of us associated with the MMCC.
			Jan Wold	
			Jane Louie	Please provide urgently-needed help to protect marine mammals from the effects the large toxic algae bloom that is currently being experienced off the LA County coast.
			Jane Riner	
			Janet Lutkenhouse-Kissner	
			Janet B Petch	Save marine mammals in LA County!
			Janna K Reddig	Marine Mammal
			Jarad McCain	



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13.		Favor	Jarina Naeyaert	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County. In 2023, over 1,000 seal lions died and this 2025 algae bloom is worse. This doesn't included the other deaths of other marine animals. Today we saw sick seals foaming at the mouth and shaking in addition to a sick pelican.
			Jason Smelser	
			Jay Resnick	
			Jayden Moreno	
			Jazmyne Gill	
			JB Letchinger	
			Jeanelle Agcaoili	Please save the marine mammals in LA County
			jeanene M conant	This motion is very important for the stranded marine mammals being cared for at the Marine Mammal Care Center in San Pedro. We are currently caring for 91 patients and feeding 750 pounds of fish a day. This funding will help with the food and medicine for the animals under our care. Please support the "stewards of the sea" by voting in favor of this motion
			Jeanette Chen	
			Jeanne Tomcavage	
			Jeff Shelp	
			Jeffrey Orman	Save Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Jen Zealand	The marine mammals desperately need our help! Please help us save Los Angeles County mammals. Thank you so much for your time.
			Jenn Cossaboon	Give that help to stranded and sick marine mammals in LA!!
			Jenna Lynn	
			Jenna Pfefferle	Our ocean ecosystem impacts all of us and our food chain, please please give this issue the attention it's crying out for by funding those trying to address the problem.
			Jennie Wadsworth	Please!!
			Jennifer Ando	
			Jennifer Barbour	
			Jennifer Daniel	
			Jennifer Hocutt	

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13.		Favor	Jennifer Miller	
			Jennifer Pooley	I am a resident of Manhattan Beach, California that has encountered marine mammals impacted by domoic acid poisoning -- multiple deceased dolphins as well as sea lions in distress in need of rescue -- over the past several weeks. I am beyond grateful to always be able to immediately call and report them to The Marine Mammal Care Center and for their devoted work during such a heartbreaking time. Please support them.
			Jennifer Smoliga	As someone that works with these animals I cannot emphasize how important it is to act. These animals suffer. It is heartbreaking to have to watch them have seizures after seizures, lose their babies, lose their ability to survive in the wild, and many lose their lives from this illness. Although the algae blooms are a normal occurrence they are able to grow a lot larger do to run off from humans. I am not an expert by any means but if these animals are suffering because of humans It is only right that we as humans do all we can to help them and find some solution . Everything has a part in the ecosystem and it makes me wonder if what losing all of these animals and many of their babies will effect the ecosystem in the coming years. Thank you !
			Jennifer K Monk	
			Jerel E Garcia	Good morning, my name is Jerel Garcia, and I'm here to voice my strong support for MMCC and the motion put forward by Supervisor Horvath and seconded by Supervisor Hahn. The work MMCC does to rescue and rehabilitate marine mammals is essential for our environment.
			Jesse Gilgoff	
			JESSICA DAVIS	Help them!
			Jessica Fugate	We must do all we can to support this urgent health crisis that is harming our beloved marine mammals. I urge STRONG support for this much needed funding.
			Jessica Goody	Domoic acid is a neurotoxin found in seaweed and shellfish. It causes severe brain damage in marine mammals and humans alike, usually irreversible and often deadly. The Pacific Marine Mammal Center toils tirelessly to rehabilitate sick and injured seals and sea lions, and deserves the support of Los Angeles County for their wonderful work.
			Jessica Miele	
			Jessica Rizzo	
			Jill D Lansing	
			Jill M Mueck	

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13.		Favor	Joan Silver	Our wildlife is so precious! And no one wants to see sick and dying animals on our beaches. Please help support the wonderful work that the Marine Mammal Care Center does! Thank you.
			JoAnn Ramirez	I support funding for the rescue and critical care of stranded marine mammals during this domoic acid poisoning event in LA County.
			Joanne Yue	
			Joe Allard	
			John Barry	
			John Dennis	
			John Miller	
			John Szczepaniak	
			John Tyrrell	
			John A Gastanaga	
			John J Winterberg	It is the least that we can do to help our struggling marine mammals.
			John S Warner	<p>LA County has more marine mammal rescues per mile of coastline than anywhere else in the country but also the least remaining critical shoreline habitat in all of California. This disappearing shoreline – characterized by rock formations and beaches where people and buildings or encroachment aren't prevalent – creates an essential habitat area for marine mammals, allowing them to rest, wait out storms, give birth, nurse pups, or recover when sick or injured. Without these places, sick marine mammals have no choice but to come ashore on LA County beaches that are heavily populated by people. This creates public safety and public health issues that are unique to Los Angeles County.</p> <p>The county's coastline provides recreational and environmental amenities that generate over \$4 billion in international tourism to the Los Angeles area annually. Los Angeles County is also home to the busiest port complex in the United States; close to 45 percent of all oceanic freight entering the country comes ashore through the twin ports at Los Angeles and Long Beach. Together, these ports contribute more than 1 million jobs to a vibrant economy.</p> <p>Conservation and commerce can and need to coexist. Marine Mammal Care Center is committed to working with our partners in Los Angeles County to make it the model for how marine wildlife can thrive in an urban ocean environment.</p>



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13.		Favor	Jon Day	
			Jon Hasama	No brainer!
			Jon Poelma	We must show the humanity required to save these distressed mammals and keep our beaches clean and safe to drive tourism.
			Jonathan Hicks	Save the marine mammals!!!!
			Jordan Bacheldor	
			Joseph Lisuzzo III	
			Joseph G Yarbrough	
			Josephine Tsai	
			Joy Miike	
			Joyce Naeyaert	
			JP Fox	This is very important. Please vote yes!!!
			Julia Moss	
			Julian A Leon	
			Juliana Limon	
			Julianna Robbins	LA County and LB resident, in favor of to this item. Please help protect stranded marine mammals along LA County beaches.
			Julie Stembridge	
			Justine Bellock	
			Justine Harris	
			Kacie Weaver	
			Kalina Bitter	I support saving marine life during this challenging time in the ocean.
			Karen Constine	Please support this issue and help save mammals.
			Karen Dominguez	
			Karen Ramirez	
			Karissa Adams	
			Kate Gragg	Domoic acid poisoning is a serious threat to marine mammals and any people who encounter them. We have an urgent obligation to address this issue.



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13.		Favor	Kate Johns	Please help save our marine mammals!!
			Kate Ward	
			Kate L OConnor	
			Katherine Gould	I walk by the ocean every day abd also volunteer with the Marine Mammal Care Center. I see how many sick animals are coming ashore and it breaks my heart . This is a crisis for our local marine life. Please help the Marine Mammal Care Center address this crisis.
			Katherine Kaiser	Marine Mammal Care in San Pedro does incredibly important work to help marine life and our environment
			Katherine Larsen	Our beautiful sea lions are sick dying :(we need to help what makes LA special... helping them is good for the animals, good for locals and good for tourism.
			Katherine L Brewer	<p>As a rower who regularly uses the marina for watersports, I want to voice my strong support for this motion. The health of our marine environment is deeply connected to the experiences of hundreds or more residents and visitors who rely on these waters for recreation, fitness, and community and more.</p> <p>The recent toxic algae bloom has been devastating—not only to marine wildlife but to those of us who share the shore and waterways. Seeing stranded or suffering marine mammals while out on the water is heartbreaking and highlights the urgent need for coordinated, well-funded response efforts.</p> <p>This motion addresses the crisis in a thoughtful and comprehensive way, providing both emergency support and long-term sustainability through education, strategic partnerships, and creative funding solutions. I particularly appreciate the focus on public outreach, which will help all of us who use these beaches and marinas be better stewards of the marine environment.</p> <p>Protecting marine life is not only the right thing to do—it also protects the safety, beauty, and usability of our shared coastal spaces. I urge the Board to adopt this motion and continue to support the important work of MMCC and all those working to preserve and protect our coastal ecosystems.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
			Katherine M Ahlers	
			Kathleen Hickman	Responding to this crisis will help not just the Marine Mammals but the entire eco-system. Once it's damaged beyond a certain extent, it will be very difficult to bring it back.



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13.		Favor	Kathleen Kelly	Due to toxic algae more resources are needed due to the alarming rates of sick sea life & marine mammals in need of treatment.
			Kathryn Macdonald	
			Kathy Creighton	Our care center is the only one for many, many miles. It's critical it remains operational during this period of algae bloom that is sickening wildlife.
			Kathy Goddard	
			Kathy Lee	
			Kathy McLeod	
			Katia Arami	
			Katie King	
			Katie Lewis	
			katrin davis	
			Katrina Schmitt	
			Katya Gilbo	
			Kayla Freed	
			Kayla L Archuleta	
			Kaylee Hawkins	Please fund this important work. As a coastal resident, the influx of marine mammals in distress along our shorelines is alarming and signals to a broader public health crisis. Our communities deserve a more proactive approach to the environmental dangers embedded in our water, land and air surrounding the burn areas. The long term ramifications to human and animal life, as well as our environment, will continue to compound in the months and years to come without urgent actions.
			Keely Rockefeller	
			Kellie Chan	
			Kelly Bradford	
			Kelly Lang	
			Kelsey Arciniega	
			Kelsey Hashimoto	



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13.		Favor	kelsey pecoroni	Please help donate to the wildlife!!! These sweet creatures need help, and any donations will help. Please help save them!
			Kelsey Zeigler	
			Kelsey Zeigler	
			Kelsie Kaufman	
			Kendre Newman	
			Kesley Davis	Please let's take action to care for our beloved sea lions.
			kevin anderson	
			Kevin Murray	
			Kim Dinsdale	
			Kimberley Hoch	Please please support this and the marine mammal care center
			Kimberly Callaway	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Kimberly Gonzalez	
			Kimberly Litster	
			Kimberly Rowe	
			Kishor Kapadia	
			Kitty Lam	
			Kourtney Smith	please help our suffering marine mammals, it is our civic and moral duty
			Kristen Pollard	
			Kristen Twomey	
			Kristen Stenz Stenz	Marine mammals are a crucial part of Californias coast line and healthy marine ecosystems. They are a keystone predator for the waters of California. They deserve protection and help with the bloom.
			kristin neubauer	IN FAVOR!!!!
			Kristy Kristy Gladysz	This organization not only supports the wellbeing of the marine mammals they care for but also the safety of the public by quickly responding to sick animals often displaying erratic behaviors.
			Kristy Smelser	



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13.		Favor	Kyle J Baca	I'm a whale watch captain out of Redondo beach and the uprise in sick animals and fish is concerning and should be addressed
			Kylie R Phillips	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County! They need our help now more than ever. The people who do this work are heros, and they can do more to protect our wildlife and our natural resources if we give them the power to do so. These are our oceans!!!
			Lara Hanlon	
			Larissa Wohl	
			Laura Emdee	
			Laura Jarrard	
			Laura Keefer	
			Laura Letchinger	We must more effectively address the current suffering of marine mammals on our coast now - this is a huge priority and warrants quick action supported by the funding necessary to make a real difference.
			Laura Matsuura	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County
			Laura Torricelli	Please!
			Laura K Livingston	
			Lauren Castillo	
			Lauren Manar	With the increase in sick marine mammals, I strongly urge the city to provide immediate additional funding.
			Laurie Feldman	Due to rapid climate change, sea mammals are facing extreme threat from domoic acid poisoning due to the overgrowth of red algae. Sick, dying and dead marine mammals are being found daily on the beaches of Los Angeles. Please fund the response to this crisis by approving grant monies and other funds to support The Marine Mammal Care Center of Los Angeles.
			Laurie T Frasco	
			Lawrence Lo	
			Leah Moore	Please save our marine animals
			Leah Moreno	
			Leala Stephenson	Please help save marine mammals in LA County. We must help especially if the wildfire run off is contributing to their demise!
			Leandro Lanuza	



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13.		Favor	Leann Barahona	
			Leann Nunez	
			Leann Nunez	
			Leat Barahona	
			Lee Spitser	
			Lee Ann Hart	
			Leila Kwong	Please save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!!!
			Lenka Svobodova	
			Lesley Meyer	As someone who cares about our oceans and ocean wildlife, I implore you to help save Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Leslie Moritz	
			Lia Tang	Please help
			Lily Damji	
			Linda de Ambrosio	The public cares about these animals and has the expectation that the county will back resources to give the best care possible. Thank you in advance.
			Linda Penrose	This Domoic Acid Toxicosis event is the worst experienced in the known history of the Marine Mammal Care Center. The pain, deaths and devastation of many species of marine life is very serious. Sea Lions in particular, along with seals, who are given support and care at the Marine Mammal Care Center, have been hard hit with the poison attacking their brain, nervous system along with heart and other organs. The daily costs of medications and supportive care has used most of the yearly budget of this organization. Help from Los Angeles County is greatly needed to continue the work and will be appreciated. Thank you.
			Linda Washburn	MMCC has been serving the LA County coastline marine mammals through rescue, treatment and release of ill, malnourished, entangled or injured pinnipeds. This saves them while also educating and protecting the adjacent public enjoying the beaches. This year an unusually severe occurrence of Domoic Acid poisoning suffered by sea lions and also dolphins has seriously stretched their financial resources, and may indicate a recurring situation. It is expensive to provide high quality professional rescue and rehabilitation.
			Lisa Blonder	
			Lisa Garcia	Important for our local ecosystem



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			Lisa Jordan
			PLEASE !!!! Desperately needed ! Dead bodies and sick marine mammals everywhere, it's heartbreaking and will hurt tourism if you don't show that you support these non profit organizations that help these animals and keep our beaches safe and clean, THAT IS A PUBLIC SERVICE !!! I've lived on LA beach for over a decade and walk it regularly, this is insane.
			Lisa Parmelee
			Absolutely support this
			Lisa Pusateri
			Lisa S Stumph
			We're in the midst of a mortality crisis among marine animals. Mammals and birds alike. Our mostly volunteer-run rescue, research, and monitoring organization are stretched to the limit. They need these funds to investigate and protect this amazing local resource, our ocean neighbors.
			Liz Seymour
			Logan Peters
			Lola Reyna
			Please save our marine mammals! Thank you!
			Lorelai Taylor
			I volunteered in marine rescue and this need is urgent. Please listen to their ask.
			Lori Furie
			Lori Jackson
			Lori Olsen
			Lori A Harr
			Lorna Herf
			Our marine life is an important part of what makes CA so special. Marine mammals are in serious crisis right now and need our resources. Please vote to help them and thank you.
			Louise Leborgne
			Luis Romero
			It is our duty as a species to save our fellow mammals from problems that we have caused. We must save the dolphins and sea lions that have called our coastline home for thousands of years before we arrived on this continent. In this instance the worst thing we could do is nothing. They need us and we must not let them down! Thank you
			Lukas Gebhardt
			Lydia Novalis
			Lyndsey Kregel
			Lynn Jagger



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			Madeleine D Diaz	
			Madison Panzino	
			Maggie E Colindres	I'm here to express my strong support for MMCC and the motion by Supervisor Horvath and Supervisor Hahn. The marine mammals MMCC rescues are more than just animals—they're part of the delicate cycle of life that sustains our oceans and, ultimately, our own future. Supporting their care is an investment in the health of our planet and in the generations to come.
			Malia Caarlson	
			Marco Pizzo	I urge you to support this important response item to assist stranded sea mammals. Thank you!
			Marco Vuoso	
			Marcos Shih	
			Margaret Dunne	
			Margaret E Glenn	
			Mariah Hu	
			Marie T Smith	
			Mariela Estudillo	
			Marilyn Avina	
			Marilynn Zolanek	The impact from the chemicals from the water coming from the fires in LA making mammals sick is increasing the amount of animals that they need to treat to heal them, devastating quantities way above the amount they normally treat
			Marina Baktis	
			Marina Delgado	
			Mario Angel	
			Mario Barahona	
			Mario Barahona	



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			Comments
			Marisa J Futernick
			As a regular beach/water user, I urge you to immediately increase funding to enable treatment of the numerous sick sea lions we are seeing on an almost daily basis. Especially given that these animals can be saved if treated promptly, it is imperative to adequately fund marine mammal rescue services without delay. Beyond the ethical responsibility, it is bad for tourism to have visitors, including children, have sightings of dying or dead sea lions and dolphins be their experience of LA County.
			Marisol BALLARO
			I've witnessed distressed sea lions at Mothers Beach in Marina Del Rey several times. I called to report one at 5:30am one morning last month and the dying creature was not rescued for over 8 hours.
			Marissa Quinteo
			Mark Thorpe
			Marlene Negrete
			Mary Hernandez
			Mary Morrison
			In favor
			Mary A Roberts
			I've never seen it like this before and I am a native. ??
			Mary Ann Mollenkamp
			Our centers were not designed to rescue the hundreds of sick and dying wildlife on our beaches caused by this plague.
			Mary E Palmer
			Mary Frances Vollucci
			Save marine mammals in LA County.
			Mary L Bohn
			Mary-Louise Quinn
			Funding should be provided to assist in rehabilitation of these animals who can be a public danger.
			Matt Borgia
			Matt Iantosca
			Matt Shulman
			Matt Skakun
			Matthew Lowe
			Matthew Rogers
			Save marine mammals in LA County!!!!
			Maura Lucus
			I support the "Urgent Response to a Rise in Stranded Marine Mammals Affected by Domoic Acid Along Los Angeles County Beaches."
			Maureen BELCZAK
			Save the Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County.

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13.		Favor	Maureen S Higdon	
			Mayra Martinez	Marine mammal
			Meaghan Smith	
			Melanie Arias	Please support caring for wildlife
			Melanie Croce	The human caused environmental crisis is putting biodiversity and native marine mammals at risk. Nonprofit organizations like MMCC are struggling to keep up with demands and need all the help they can get. Please help fund their great work!
			Melina Mellor	
			Melinda Hanks	Please help save marine life and mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Melissa Glennie	
			Melissa McPheeters	Support and save our marine mammals!!!!
			Melissa Tyrrell	
			Melissa Vacha	
			Melissa C Herrmann	
			Mia E Laskan	
			Mia M Trachinger	Please save our marine mammals!
			micaela passeri	Please approve the funding to save these innocent animals from dying! We are the stewards of God's creatures, if we have the means to help, we have a duty to do so. Please don't ignore the fact that our Marina is also very polluted by human beings. It is a vicious cycle and the innocent animals suffer the price for our indulgence, ignorance and inconsideration. Thank you!
			Michael Filice	Save the seal life. It is the least you could do since you allowed it to happen.
			Michael Hernandez	Please help us save the seals.
			Michael Lazarus	



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13.		Favor	Michael Quill	As Marine Program's Director at Los Angeles Waterkeeper (LAW), I and LAW support dedicating LA County funding to support efforts to tend to the current and ongoing domoic acid event which can serve as an example of the future funding needed. There is a strong likelihood that these events will increase in the future. In my opinion, there will no doubt be a need for increased human efforts to tend to the various sea life strandings and deaths. As an organization that is on and in our coastal waters weekly and more, we see the ongoing need for human intervention and clean up needed due to the effects of domoic acid poisoning on sea life. We also note the need to fund efforts to track and reduce causes of these domoic blooms that also effect sea life consumed by humans.
			Michael Weybret	
			Michael E Duncan	Please help repair what humans have done to our innocent marine mammals who need a clean home to live in just as we do!
			Michelle Blanken	
			Michelle Butler	
			Michelle Davies	
			Michelle Gott	
			Michelle R Rivard	I strongly support this vital work. MMCC plays a vital role in promoting animal welfare, public safety and conservation of our ocean environment.
			Mickey M Kolodny	I support financially helping in a significant manner, the Marine Mammal Care Center (MMCC) of San Pedro to take care of the sick and wounded Marine Mammals covering the 75 miles of ocean shoreline in LA County. The facility was built over 30 years ago and the patient population often exceeds the physical capacity by + 2 to 3 fold. In addition to treating the nationally protected marine mammals, it helps provide education and thus protection to the public, who might come in contact with these animals. For the last 4 years there has been 1-2 months of epidemic of domoic acid poisoning which makes these animals dangerous to the public if ill. MMCC posts volunteers when it can, at the beaches when a sick animal has to await before it can be treated. Thus protecting the marine mammal and the cooperating public while educating the people. MMCC is a non profit with 5 times more unpaid volunteers than employees. The current crisis has greatly depleted the budget used to feed and medicate the patients at MMCCPlease help.
			Mikayla Lynch	Very much in favor.



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13.		Favor	Mikayla Mitchell	<p>I am writing in strong support of allocating \$700,000 in funding to the Marine Mammal Care Center.</p> <p>The surge in marine mammal strandings across Los Angeles County is not just due to domoic acid poisoning, it's the result of a broader ecological collapse tied to agricultural runoff, pollution, warming waters, and rising toxicity levels in our ocean.</p> <p>This is an urgent public health and environmental issue. Sick and DYING seals, sea lions, and other marine mammals are washing up on our beaches at UNPRECEDENTED rates. These animals are sentinels, warning us about the health of the ocean that sustains us all.</p> <p>MMCC is the only facility in LA County equipped to respond to these emergencies. They provide lifesaving care, education, and environmental monitoring, yet they are operating under tremendous strain. Without immediate support, they will be unable to meet the scale of this crisis.</p> <p>Please vote in FAVOR of Agenda Item 13. This funding is not just about marine mammals—it's about protecting our coastline, our communities, and our shared future.</p>
			Mike Gabitass	
			Miriam Kaufman	Please save our sea mammals!!
			Miyu Sudo	
			Molly A Bounds	Please save the marine life of Los Angeles!!!! The earth is in a delicate balance!!!! Save the animals save the oceans save the world !!! Only one earth love it or leave it!!!
			Monica Richards	
			Monica Rybak	
			N Endo	Save Marine Animals in Los Angeles county. Clean fire debris on coast contributing to runoff which increases algae too.
			Nadia White	



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13.		Favor	Nadine M Flowers	As a person who lives in Venice Beach, over the last 5 years I have seen more and more injured, stranded, sick or dead Marine life on the beaches. The Rescue in San Pedro is doing all they can as are the neighbors and good samaritans. There was once 5 of us trying to help a Comorant who has tar all over his feathers. Between the toxic algae blooms, the Hyperion Water Facility that has breeches and overflows and now the toxic levels of poisons flowing into the Santa Monica Bay from the Palisades /Malibu fires these innocent animals are suffering gravely to no fault of their own. If we are unable to clean the water or keep it clean, which should be our #1 priority, the least we can do is come to their aid when they are suffering because of environmental pollution caused directly or indirectly from humans and commercial operations.
			Nancy Gancos	This state this county is the city MUST do more to help the innocent lives of marine life. Across the board insufficient funding results in suffering and inexcusable death. We are their guardians and funding is absolutely necessary. Thank you.
			Nancy Harrington	
			nancy winters	
			Nancy K Brigden	It is extremely important to maintain the health of our oceans and ecosystems. If the systems collapse, we will soon follow.
			Natalie Monticone	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Natalie Morris	
			Natalie D Vera	Save marine mammals!
			Natasha Bitter	Dear Supervisors, Please approve and secure funding for this motion to support MMCC in their rescue and medical recovery of the marine mammals suffering from domoic acid poisoning, and emergency plan to address the strandings and red algal bloom. We are seeing a higher intensity and frequency of domoic acid poisoning of marine mammals due, in part, to human driven climate change, warmer and more acidic waters. I urge you to support this motion and continued efforts to address this problem. Thank you.
			nathan a battle	
			Nathan J Mathys	
			Neal Forman	



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13.		Favor	Nicholas Dinsdale	
			Nicholas A Sydes	Save the seals!
			Nick Norombaba	
			Nickelle Presley	
			Nicole Lynch	
			Nicole Sherman	
			Nicole Warner	
			Niecia Staggs	Please fund Marine Mammal Care Center
			Nikolaus Traitler	
			Nina Villegas	
			Olga Coldivar	
			ORETA E ORMAN	Save the Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Pam Wright	
			Pam J Soear	
			Paola Erazun	
			Patricia Dechow	
			Patricia Light	Our marine life are the first responders in the water- their health and wellbeing should be protected and supported by all stakeholders-
			Patricia Negrete	
			Patricia A Deninger	There are sick & dying sea lions & dolphins desperately needing help on LA beaches. Marine Mammal Care Center is overwhelmed as they work to aid these helpless animals. Please provide the resources needed to continue their vital work. Thank you.
			Patrick Bright	
			Patti Paulsen	
			Paul Her-Sturm	I support this measure due to the significant number of sea lions we've encountered in severe distress in Marina del Rey.
			Paula Cooper	these animals are essential to the ecosystem, it's important to help them in order to help the environment itself
			Paula Lawrence	

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13.		Favor	Penelope Schlee	
			Penny Hasama	Protect our ocean!
			Penny S Sprague	
			Pete Hill	
			Peter Wright	
			Phillip Marquez	The Marine Mammal care center offers outstanding access for students to engage with the world around them and see the effects on climate in real time. The influx of patients due to DA is a concern that must be addressed, this season in particular started early, so they're bound to see an influx of patient as summer approaches.
			Phoebe A Ficklin	As a lifelong Hermosa Beach resident and Los Angeles native, it breaks my heart seeing the sick and dying animals on our shores every day. I grew up going to these beaches and have seen many dolphins while paddle boarding. I'm devastated and terrified for the future of not only our marine life, but the people who continue to swim in the affected waters and risk continual exposure to dangerous neurotoxins and carcinogens. Please, do your governmental duty and take this matter seriously. This will affect all of us exponentially worse the longer it's neglected. I am begging you to have compassion.
			Phyllis Elliott	When I was small, my parents would take us to the beach at night to see the phosphorescence of red tides. We didn't know how toxic it is to animals at the top of the food chain or that its effect was being aggravated by human behavior. If marine mammals are lucky enough to be rescued it's up to us to help them recover. The timing is bad for Los Angeles, but the emergency is real, and the health of our oceans is critical to our own survival. Please help. Thank you.
			Phyllis J Burch	
			Piper Aly	Please Respond to the Rise in Stranded Marine Mammals Affected by Domoic Acid Along Los Angeles County Beaches.
			Polly R Kinsinger	
			Pradeep Singh	
			Rachael Davis	
			Rachel Bruhnke	

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13.		Favor	Rachel Capata	
			Rachel O	
			Rachel Tatem	So many animals can be saved with proper and swift treatment, and there are great organizations out there already doing the work ... they just need the funding and support to continue.
			Rae Solis	This funding allows for life saving care for our precious marine life ecosystem. Domoic acid is hurting the marine life and disrupting their environment.
			Rafael Santana	I personally witnessed several of those stranding and I follow closely the work of the responding entities.
			Ralph Dinsdale	
			Randall Z Siebert	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles county!
			Randi R Parent	The work of the Marine Mammal Care Center in San Pedro is vital to the health of the marine life of the Southern California coast. With the alarming rise of sick animals affected by domoic acid poisoning , the Center is in dire need of additional resources to rescue sick wildlife and to provide aid for the recovery of sea lions, seals, and dolphins. The MCCC's work to rehabilitate sick and injured animals and the educational programs they provide for adults and the school children of LA County deserves your support.
			Raquel Bensadoun	
			Raymond Litster	please help them save lives ??
			Rebecca Edwards	
			Rebecca Powell	
			Rebekah K Chang	
			Rhiannon Maycumber	Protect the sick animals
			Rhonda Sluder-Brehm	
			Richard Esposito	
			Richard Newsome	
			Richard D Cox	
			Richard E Bott	Very important. and they are very effective.
			Richelle Galante	
			Rita Connor	



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13.		Favor	Ritesh Desai	
			Robert Allen	
			Robert B Livingston	Help our beautiful natural coastal inhabitants
			Robert W Farley	We need to mitigate the impact of anthropogenic domoic acid poisoning on wildlife.
			Robin Paterson	
			Robyn Sisolak	Save the Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Rondavid Babiera	
			Rosanna Privitera	
			Rosanne K McGuire	Please help give the marine mammals a second chance of life. Thank you for your consideration.
			Roxanne Marie	
			Roxanne Murillo	Help save marine mammals in Los Angeles County
			Ruben Aghazaryan	
			Russell Maycumber	This will make our environment better and cleaner.
			Ryan M Weinstein	I'm 100% in favor of all ordinances that go to protect all native and non-native wildlife in Southern California. The importance of protecting these animals goes so far beyond how we feel about them, but how we feel about ourselves. Deeper than compassion, we need to consider our ecospheres and the holistic approach to maintaining balance in our environment. For our lives, and those of our children and theirs.
			Sabrina Acosta	
			Sabrina E Loesh	As the President of the Los Angeles Rowing Club in Marina del Rey, I've been made aware of a growing number of distressed and dead sea lions, sea birds and other animals by our club members. Almost every morning we come across deceased sea lions and pelicans. We have noticed the sharp decrease in sea lion populations in the marina and our members have been calling Marine Mammal Center to come assist with animals in distress several times each week. We are in support of immediate additional funds to respond to animals affected by domoic acid in Los Angeles waters.
			Sachiko Tokumoto	
			Saki Whitlock	



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13.		Favor	Sam Butler	I am writing in full support of this measure to help marine mammals. There is a clear crisis with high levels of toxicity from the recent fires and high levels of domoic acid in our oceans, which is causing significant health impacts to marine mammals. Given that we are responsible in large part for these negative impacts, we have a moral responsibility to support the recovery.
			Sam Pollard	
			Sam Wong	Save our wild animals.
			Samantha Gerlac	
			Samantha Simmons	
			Sandra Bocanegra	
			Sandra Hernandez	
			Sandra K Powell	
			Sandy Y Honda	
			Sanjay Sharma	Marine mammals need to be protected and provided with their natural habitat. Please do the needful to secure protection and wellbeing of Marine mammals.
			Sara Bartelt	Help save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!
			Sara Gernsbacher	
			Sara Sasaki	
			Sarah Franklin	The seals and sea lions need our support.
			Sarah Gibbs	
			Sarah van Schagen	
			Sarai Rivera	
			Sarika Arora	It is our responsibility to save these animals. We owe it to them!
			Sasha Doddd	Please save our marine life!
			Saundra L Whitehead	
			Scott Bergman	Such a worthy organization
			Serena Rodriguez	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County!!! These mammals help the ecosystem we need them!
			Shana Aelony	
			Shana Armijo	

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13.		Favor	Shana Press	Marine mammal
			Shana R Armijo	
			Shannon Larsuel	
			Shannon Madole	
			Sharon Cruz	
			Sharon Wang	
			Sharon Weber	
			Sharon Whitley	Please help these innocent mammals. My daughter graduated UCSB with a degree in zoology. She stayed in Santa Barbara for 11 years in total to volunteer at the Santa Barbara Marine Center. I was fortunate to be invited several times to witness these poor helpless creatures with demoic acid poisoning. They are intelligent mammals of the sea. The pups were orphaned. My daughter would awake in the middle of the night and make herring milkshakes and tube feed the pups. They needed their mothers for protection and nourishment. To witness a mammal having a seizure due to demoic poisoning is a sight that I will carry with me forever. No animal should have to suffer or starve due to our lack of compassion. We are the keepers of our oceans, and we need to take care of our pinnipeds. These mammals are protected by federal law. Let's protect and help them before their numbers begin to dwindle. It is our responsibility. We need to be their advocates because we are the only ones that can help. Please take the time to read my response. I feel very connected to the mammals of our oceans. Please educate yourselves about the plight of these beloved mammals. Thank you for your time.
			Shaun Singer	
			Shay Crowell	
			Shelley A Zagars	Please assist in saving these sweet mammals
			Sherrie Mancera	
			Sherry Minor	
			Sherry L Sherman	These are innocent mammals that need human help during this unfortunate Domoic Acid event.
			Shital Bhansali	
			Sierra Wypych	
			Sierra E Hammond	Save the animals from suffering!

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13.		Favor	Silvana Castagnola	They need us more than ever ??????
			Silvia Subuyuj	Protect our natural resources
			Skylar Mittlestead	
			Sofia Nena	Save marine animals in LAC
			Solage Rodriguez	
			Sondra Marchese	
			Sophia Ribeiro	Save the Marine Mammals in Los Angeles County.
			Stacey Navarro	
			Stacey Patterson	It is our citizen responsibility yo help the marine mammals affected by the Demoic Acid outbreak. Not only should we help the affected animals in need, healthy oceans are vital to healthy local and global communities. We are all interdependent on one another..
			Stacy Christianson	
			Stefani Aguallo	In favor
			Steph Inouye	
			Stephanie Grubbs	
			Stephanie Yocum	The marine mammal care center does such amazing work! I am fully in support of providing them with additional funding to continue their work!
			Stephanie Lou A Hauge	
			Stephen Vollucci	Save Marine Mammals!!!
			Steve Baxter	
			Steve Kim	
			Steve Venegas	
			Steven Bendik	
			Sugey Garcia	
			Summer Hasama	



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13.		Favor	Susan Akens	My daughter has been a volunteer at MMCC for 3 years so I have had an inside look at their work and operation. They are an efficient (i.e., services rendered/dollar) and extremely dedicated non-profit providing a critically needed service for our coast. That said, this crisis is beyond their means without additional funding and quite frankly there is no other organization to step in and help. Having been on the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross of Los Angeles for 10 years, I can say that this is an urgent need for the support of the county. I also live in Manhattan Beach and the Domoic Acid situation is very real causing not only harm to the mammals, but also dangerous human/mammal interactions on the beaches. I highly encourage the Board of Supervisors to approve. Thank you
			Susan Bonito	
			Susan Deo	The rise in marine mammals affected is due to human caused increases in the algae that produce domoic acid so it is our responsibility to help alleviate the affects on marine mammals! Thank you
			Susan Odonovan	
			Susan Phares	As a rower with the LA Rowing Club in Marina del Rey, I've seen how the wildlife has been greatly impacted by the various red tide/algae issues over the past years. We used to see hundreds of healthy sea lions in Marina del Rey during our morning rows. Now we may only see a dozen or so, and have seen dead sea lions recently (and also sick pelicans). Please support efforts to save our wildlife. For many Angelenos, this is the only nature they have a chance to enjoy and appreciate.
			Susanne Tolsdorf	
			Suzy L Shinn	PROTECT OUR WILDLIFE. THIS IS WITHOUT QUESTION. A NO BRAINER.
			T Neer	
			Tamar Maljian	
			Tamara Davis	
			Tamara M Da Costa Gomez	
			Tanya J Mills	These creatures deserve to be saved and we have the means to do it. How we measure the character of man is how he protects those who are weaker. Please vote to save these amazing creatures who ask nothing but to be healthy and return to their home in the ocean.
			Tatianna Velicer	



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13.		Favor	Taylor Collins	I am out on the bay everyday with my sea life safari boat operation. I have first hand witnessed sick and confused sea lions and a heartbreaking dead dolphin.
			Teresa Mahoney	The failures of the state in the fire cleanup has impacted our marine mammals detrimentally
			Teresa Rankin	Please help with funding for the rescues, they are working hard to save our beautiful marine mammals and birds. Thank you
			Terrie Johnson	
			Terrie Owen	Please help the dying marine life in our coastal region
			Tessa Holzmamm	
			Thomas Kavoian	
			Tiffany Ma	Please help and give money to the seals and sea lions. Thank you!
			Tim Dinsdale	
			Tim Thomas	
			Timothy Suderman	Please help our marine mammals. When our oceans die, we die.
			Tobias Megger	
			Toby Kaufmann	
			Toby Past	
			Tom S Lewis	Please help to finance the rehabilitation of these animals.
			Tomasina Fisher	Please distribute funding to the marine mammal care center. They have been helping so many ill sea animals that otherwise would perish without their intervention. Thank you!
			Tonya Valacak	Please support marine mammals affected by Domoic acid
			Tracey Provine-McMartin	
			Tracey B Lewis	I am a volunteer at the Center and see first hand how these suffering animals are being lovingly cared for. But this care is expensive and an unexpected expense for the non-profit center. 700K will pay for the extra fish needed to feed these extra animals during this catastrophic DA event. Thank you.
			Tracy Blender	Our ecosystem and habitat are intrinsic to our communities and our quality of life and our funds are well spent in this effort!



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13.		Favor	Tyler J Perrin	
			Una Korac	California is famous for its beaches and ocean life we need to protect it and make our state as thrive both naturally and visually
			Valencia Armijo	
			Vanessa Chekroun	
			Vanessa Gibson	
			Vanessa Nava	We must protect our marine life! This is a result of the consequences of climate change with the rise in domoic acid from algae blooms. We must take urgent action to protect our oceans, sea life, sea mammals and protect this world for future generations and our children. Also - let's protect our marine life- we have a duty. thank you
			Vanessa M Garcia	The marine mammals are being affected by a naturally occurring harmful algal bloom (although warmer waters and sunnier days increase the occurrence of these events). These algal blooms affect the food that these marine mammals are eating (the same fish that humans eat) causing them to have severe reactions due to a process called bioaccumulation where the fish they eat have smaller doses of the toxin but when they eat a lot of these toxic fishes, the toxin accumulates and causes severe harm from seizures to death. Given that these fish are the same that we eat, we should be paying special attention to these harmful algal events by becoming extra cautious of what/how much we are eating to the extra care of marine mammals that need our help since they don't have the means of regulating or testing what fish are or aren't intoxicated with the poison. We should all care for the wildlife that we share our home with.
			Vera Hilmer	
			Vera Wagman	Please support the marine mammals- their suffering is unbearable and inhumane.
			Veronica Velasquez	It is beyond comprehension that the city and county have provided zero support in the efforts to help our local marine life. Nor have they done anything to clean up the debris in the beaches which contributed to the disaster. It's shameful and criminal as this lack of action has ensured that toxic chemicals seep into the ocean and the sand on the shore. We need to support the organizations that are actually doing something to remediate the damage and harm done to the local wildlife.
			Victoria Wilby	Save marine mammals in Los Angeles County
			Victoria C Olson-Cook	Do your jobs. Do what's right!!



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
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Correspondence Received

			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
13.		Favor	Victoria J Oetzell	This is an urgent need. Please vote in favor of helping the Marine mammals that are affected, especially since the city of LA (Mayor Bass) has done nothing to clean up the houses destroyed by fire along the Palisades and Malibu that are on the ocean. I blame the city for not urgently and immediately (in January) cleaning out all of the debris. I don't care who owns those home, the city should have taken action quickly. Our poor ocean life is being destroyed. We can't fish or swim or surf safely in the same waters that our Marine Mammals are located and getting sick from the waters.
			Vincie Sutrin	
			Violet Garcia	Save our wildlife!
			Vivian M Glennie	The current DA toxicosis stranding event in LA county is catastrophic. We are responding to more animals in the first quarter than most of 2024. DA treatment and anti-seizure meds are expensive and difficult to fund. MMCLA does not receive government funds to help support these animals, it is all donation and grant based. This has to change. It is time for California to support our marine mammal rescue hospitals financially.
			Wendy Williams	They do amazing work and are desperately needed!
			Wesley C Bantugan	
			William Vacca	
			Willow Longwinter	
			Yessenia Rosales	Help the ocean animals !
			Zac Monday	
			Zhiqiong M Long	
			Zoe Collins	We fully support this funding to the Marine Mammal Care Center for continuing their phenomenal and critical work.
			Zoe Georgouses	
			Zury Barahona	
		Other	Wink Roberts	Heartbreaking watching helpless Sea lions beach themselves losing all control of their coordination, falling over on the beach. In some cases drowning in 1 foot of water at the shoreline. We live on the ocean and have called Countless times for rescues with California Wildlife and The Marine Mammal Center in San Pedro. Please help these Angels of the Sea before it's too late. Wink Roberts (310) 383-2054
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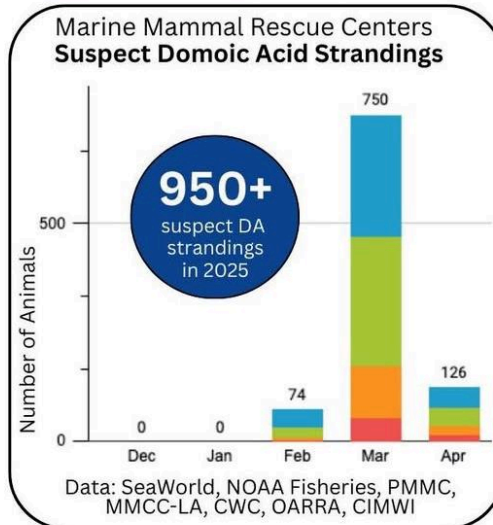
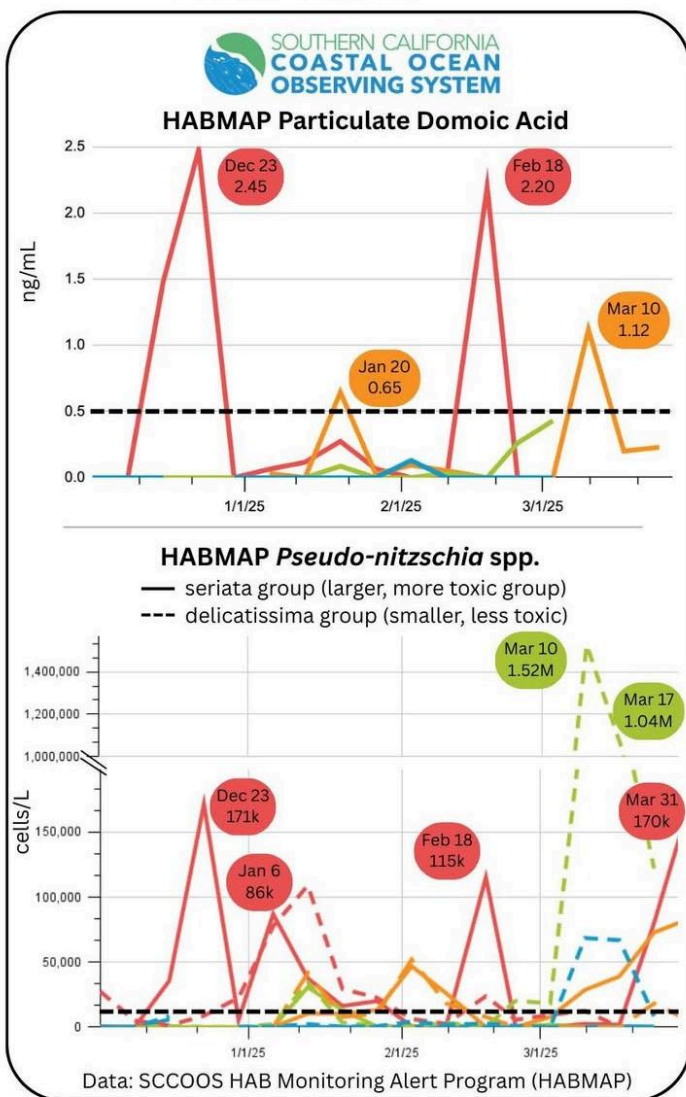


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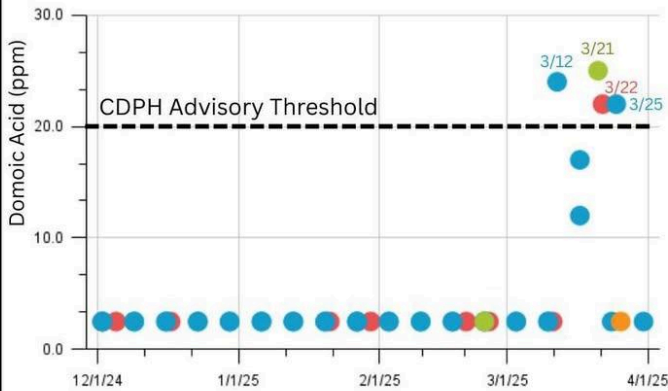
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Advisories
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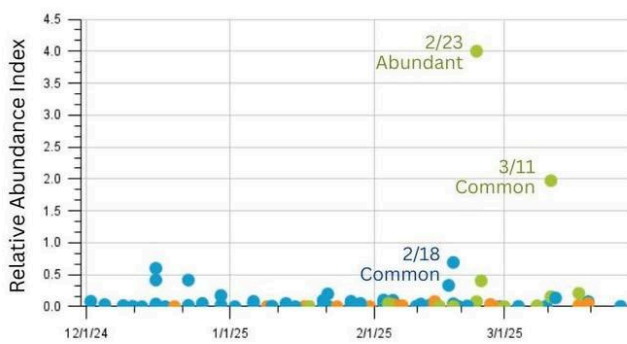
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PSP Shellfish
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Domoic Acid Biotoxin Detected in Bivalve Shellfish



Relative Abundance of *Pseudo-nitzschia* spp.

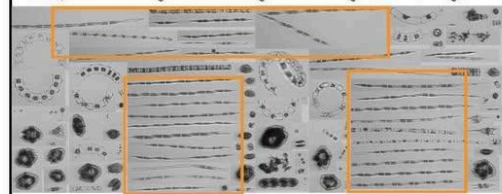
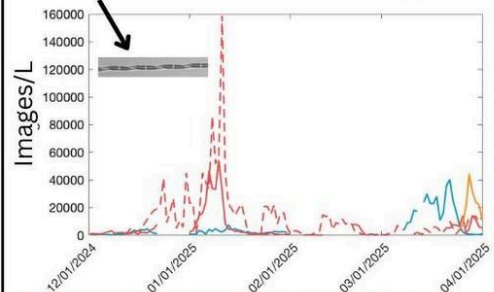


Data: CDPH Environmental Management Branch



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Imaging FlowCytobot
(IFCB; Robotic Microscope)
Chains of *Pseudo-nitzschia* spp.



Mar 27 IFCB Images at Newport Beach Pier
(Example *Pseudo-nitzschia* spp. chains highlighted)
Data: SCCOOS Imaging FlowCytobot Network

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Hi Board Of Supervisors:

I am writing to express my full support for the funding of the Marine Mammal Care Center. Funding is especially critical right now with the unprecedented stranding of marine mammals at this time.

Sincerely,

Lessette Cetto

To the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors

I'm writing to you as a volunteer of the Marine Mammal Care Center in San Pedro.

I've been a volunteer with the Center since early summer of. I help in the Center's kitchen and currently I also am on their Pinniped Patrol, where volunteers go to sites where Pinnipeds and dolphins have stranded themselves.

At this time, when our ocean has been tragically affected by a Toxic Algae Bloom, Domoic Acid, the Center is doing amazing, back breaking work fighting against this poison that is killing hordes of sea lions and now dolphins. The Center relies heavily on volunteers and is in need of all aspects of relief. We volunteers are imploring the County to provide extra funding for the Center, in the form of staff, medical supplies, space, and community support. Please help the center, and in doing so, help the innocent wildlife in our beautiful Ocean.

Thank you,

Julie Keen-Leavenworth