Blue Flag U.S.A. Beaches Eco-Award
### Environmental Education and Information

- Environmental Education Activities
- Blue Flag Information Board
- Beach Code of Conduct

### Water Quality

- Frequent Water Sampling
- Excellent Bathing Water Quality

### Environmental Management

- Environmental Management Plan
- Proper Waste Management
- Adequate and Clean Facilities

### Safety and Services

- Emergency Plans
- Lifeguards and First-aid Equipment
- Accident Prevention Measures
- Must be a USLA Certified Lifeguard Agency
- Access for All
Blue Flag Pilot: Zuma Beach

Potential Award Area
DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS
BEACH EMERGENCY EVACUATION LIGHTS SYSTEM (BEELS)

Community Services Cluster Presentation
June 1, 2022
Background / Purpose

- Deaf and hard of hearing community only have access to audio notifications on beaches

- BEELS provides immediate and simultaneous lights and audio notifications

- Will be activated for emergency incidents

- Beach evacuations take 15-25 minutes, so time is of the essence
Pilot Program

• Board of Supervisors passed motion approving BEELS pilot at Torrance Beach

• Installed on four building structures

• Uses LED lights and loudspeakers and broadcast in English and Spanish

• Activated using computer, smart devices and manually
Expansion Plans / Other

- Final testing at Torrance Beach underway
- Department management to further discuss expansion plans
- Local and state interest expressed
- Social media kit being prepared
- 2022 NACo Achievement Award Winner
  - Risk and Emergency Management Category
PARKS & RECREATION
CAREER PATHWAYS
AQUATICS SERIES

Lifeguard Ready Training ➔ Cadet ➔ Recurrent ➔ Permanent
- Lake
- Pool
AQUATICS SERIES

BUILDING CAREER PATHWAYS TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS WITH AQUATICS

- Beach Lifeguard
- EMT / Paramedic
- Firefighter
RECREATION SERIES

Partner with WDACS to Recruit Youth @ Work

Park Aide (created in 2021)

Recurrent Rec Services Leader (part time)

Permanent Part-time Rec Services Leader (in process)

Permanent Rec Services Leader (full time)
Partner with WERC to Recruit Conservation Corps/Systems-involved Youth → Certification Program → Grounds Maintenance Worker I / II / Supervisor
INCREASE NUMBER OF WOMEN AS GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SUPERVISORS

Grounds Maintenance Worker I → Certification & Training Program → Grounds Maintenance Worker II → Supervisor Training Program
INCREASE NUMBER OF WOMEN IN TRADES

Recruit Apprentices from WERC and WINTER

Apprenticeship Program for Women

Full-time Trade Positions
TREE TRIMMER SERIES

Conservation Corps/Systems-involved Youth

Certification Program

Tree Trimmer
- DPR & Other Departments
- Private Sector
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