

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

DATE: Friday, May 16, 2014
TIME: 9:00 AM
PLACE: Carpinteria City Hall, 5775 Carpinteria Ave, Carpinteria, CA. 93013

MEETING AGENDA

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions – Jon Sharkey**
2. **Approval of Agenda and Filing of Certificate of Agenda Posting**
Action: Approve and file.
3. **Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meetings held in January, 2014.**
Action: Approve and file.
4. **Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda**
 - a. Receive public comments.
5. **Reports**
 - a. Reports from legislative offices.
 - b. Boating and Waterways.
 - c. Cal Coast.
6. **Active Projects Status Reports**
Action:
 - a. Receive a report on active BEACON Projects
7. **Sea Cliff Specific Coastal Commission/BEACON Sand Impact Fee Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)**
Actions:
 - a. Receive verbal report on the Sea Cliff Specific Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between BEACON and the California Coastal Commission regarding coastal sand impact fees.
 - b. Authorize and ratify approval of the Sea Cliff Specific Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between BEACON and the California Coastal Commission by the Executive Director.
8. **Auditor Controller's Recommended Actions**
 - a. Receive and file Recommended Fiscal Year 2014-15 Budget.
 - b. Approve membership dues for Fiscal Year 2014-15.
 - c. Receive and file the Budget-to-Actual report for the year-to-date period ending March 31, 2014.
9. **Update on Single-Use Bag Ban Ordinances**
 - a. Receive verbal report on status of BEACON Member Agency Single-Use Bag Ban Ordinances.
10. **Consider the Establishment of a BEACON Internship Position**
 - a. Receive verbal discussion on possibility for BEACON to establish an Internship position.
11. **Executive Director's Report and Communications.**



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**Adjourn to next regular meeting, July 18, 2014 at 9:00 AM in Carpinteria
City Hall**

STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: 05/16/14
Agenda Item: 6

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Program Manager
Date: 05/08/14

Project Status Reports.

Actions:

- a. Receive a report on active BEACON Projects

DISCUSSION:

Presentation by Program Manager on status of active BEACON projects.



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Project Status Report

Project Name: Coastal Access Maintenance Proposal for US 101 HOV Lane Project

Current Estimated Project Cost: TBD

Date: May 16, 2014

Purpose:

To provide maintenance services for new coastal access constructed by Caltrans with the US 101 Lane Project in Northern Ventura County.

Description:

- Since 2010, BEACON staff has been in communication with Coastal Commission Staff and Caltrans District 7 regarding the possibility of BEACON taking on the maintenance responsibilities of select coastal access facilities along Route 101 between Rincon and Oil Piers, in northern Ventura County.
- The facilities proposed are currently under construction by Caltrans as part of the US 101 HOV widening project. Construction is scheduled to be completed by fall 2015.
- The specific facilities and services being proposed are:

1	Tank Farm	Beach access from Coastal Trail down to beach.	a	Maintain walking surface. Sweep and keep clean.
2	La Conchita	Proposed Pedestrian Under Crossing (PUC).	b	Provide trash receptacles & pick-up.
			c	Maintain walking surface. Sweep and keep clean.
			d	Maintain lighting within PUC (change light bulbs).
			e	Graffiti Control (paint-over).
3	Mussel Shoals	Beach access from Coastal Trail.	f	Maintain walking surface. Sweep and keep clean.
4	Punta Gorda	Punta Gorda Parking Area located on mountainside of Route 101.	g	Provide trash receptacles & pickup.
		Punta Gorda existing PUC.	h	Maintain lighting in PUC.
			i	Maintain walking surface + trash pickup.
			j	Graffiti control (paint over).
		Beach access from PUC to beach and from Coastal Trail to beach.	k	Maintain walking surface. Sweep and keep clean.
5	Mobil Pier (Oil Piers) Beach	Mobil Pier Beach Frontage Road/ informal parking area and beach access.	l	Maintain Vault style restroom.
			m	Provide trash receptacles & pickup.

Status:

Funding.

- Caltrans has indicated that funding for the maintenance effort could be provided, but no formal commitment has been made.
- BEACON has indicated that unless 100% or substantial funding from Caltrans is provided for the maintenance services, BEACON will not be interested in pursuing further.

Environmental.

Environmental approval for the coastal accesses was secured by Caltrans with the US 101 HOV Lane Project.

Design.

No design is required.

Permitting.

Permits for the coastal accesses were secured by Caltrans with the US 101 HOV Lane Project.

Construction.

Maintenance activities for the beach accesses are not expected to commence till 2015.

Project Status Report - continued

Project Name:	Coastal Access Maintenance Proposal for US 101 HOV Lane Project
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Current Estimated Project Cost:	TBD
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Date:	May 16, 2014
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Issues/Action:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Secure commitment from Caltrans regarding funding.2. Approval by BOARD. |
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Project Status Report

Project Name: Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project

Current Estimated Project Cost: \$10,000

Date: May 16, 2014

Purpose:

To demonstrate a method to re-establish kelp in Goleta Bay.

Description:

1. At the end of 2010, BEACON agreed to accept the Lead Agency role in delivering an innovative project to demonstrate a method to re-establish kelp in Goleta Bay.
2. The method was developed by Mr. Bob Kiel of the Seattle Aquarium and consists of the insertion of 210 three-foot long (2-inch square) granite columns that are water-jetted into the sandy sea bed of Goleta Bay. Four to six inches of the top of the column will protrude providing an immovable and environmentally benign “toe-hold” for kelp spores to attach.
3. The re-establishment of a kelp bed in Goleta Bay is considered an environmental benefit to marine life as well as a recreational opportunity and is consistent with BEACON’s mission.

Status:

Funding.

1. Funding for permitting efforts has been provided by BEACON.
2. The funding of materials and product installation has not currently been identified. BEACON staff will work with Mr. Kiel to pursue outside funding grants.

Environmental.

1. As a research project that does not result in serious or major disturbances to the environment, the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project is considered environmental exempt.
2. BEACON approved a Categorical Exemption under CEQA in 2010.

Design.

Mr. Kiel has completed the project design which lays out the placement of 210 anchors at strategic locations across Goleta Bay.

Permitting.

1. BEACON staff has been pursuing the necessary permits required for the demonstration project.
2. Permit applications were submitted to the California Coastal Commission and to the California State Lands Commission.
3. Permit approval has been secured from the California State Lands Commission.
4. Staff is still working with the Coastal Commission to secure their permit.
5. Additional permit applications will be submitted to the US Army Corps of Engineers and the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Construction.

1. Following receipt of all permits and securing of construction funding, the project will be brought back to the Board for approval to move forward into the installation phase, anticipated for 2014.

Issues/Action:

1. Secure all permits.

Project Status Report

Project Name:	Oil Piers Artificial Reef Project
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Current Estimated Project Cost:	\$7,000,000
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Date:	May 16, 2014
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Purpose:

To demonstrate an innovative method of beach protection at Oil Piers Beach.

Description:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Under the National Shoreline Erosion Control Development Program, Section 227, the US Corps of Engineers funds projects that demonstrate innovative methods for shoreline protection through the continental US. 2. For the Southern California region, in August 2003 a contract was awarded to ASR Ltd. to design on an innovative beach protection project at Oil Piers Beach in Ventura County. 3. The rock revetment-backed beach at Oil Piers has narrowed considerably due to shoreline erosion since the demolition of the Mobile Oil Piers in 1998. 4. The selected innovative technology was a coastal erosion abatement structure to retain beach nourishment with minimal impact to the adjacent shoreline. The project entails an off-shore artificial reef consisting of large sand filled geotextile fabric containers located offshore of the beach and associated sand nourishment between the reef and the beach. 5. The project will accomplish the following objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide shelter to the currently eroding beach; • retain beach nourishment in the form of a salient; • no detrimental impacts to down drift beaches as sediment is free to pass alongshore between the offshore structure and the beach; • enhance recreation, such as a quality surfing break, a diving site, and increase beach width for shore-based recreation; • provide stable and complex habitat for a wide range of marine flora and fauna, thereby enhancing environmental resources, and; • will not interfere with the public's use of the beach or near shore or otherwise introduce a safety hazard beyond that which previously existed with the former oil piers. 6. The total cost of design, environmental, permitting and construction of the project is estimated to cost approximately \$7M. 7. BEACON as the local sponsor for the Project has committed to maintaining the project for a period of five years following installation. |
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Status:**Funding.**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Section 227 Program expired in October 2006 and was re-authorization in 2009 under Section 103. 2. This project is entirely funded by the US Corps of Engineers. Funding for design, environmental, permitting has been obligated. 3. Funding for fabrication and installation still requires a funding appropriation. 4. As the local sponsor, BEACON is eligible to \$100,000 of ExxonMobil mitigation fees when BEACON takes responsibility for the beach and access road through the State Lands permit. |
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Environmental.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The US Corps of Engineers completed an environmental document in 2004. 2. Due to the delay in funding in 2004, it was determined that, following completion of the new design in 2010, a new environmental document would be required. 3. The USACOE have prepared a new Administrative Draft Environmental Document which is anticipated to be submitted to BEACON Staff for review in June 2014. 4. BEACON will initiate a series of meetings with interest groups prior to release of the Draft Environmental Document. 5. Environmental approval is anticipated by Fall 2014. |
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Project Status Report - continued

Project Name:	Oil Piers Artificial Reef Project
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Current Estimated Project Cost:	\$7,000,000
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Date:	May 16, 2014
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Design.

1. The US Corps of Engineers initially awarded a contract to ASR for design in 2002.
2. The design work began in August 2003 and was completed in 2004.
3. In 2005 Federal Funding stalled on the project and no further work occurred until 2007. With the addition of new funding and the assessment of recently completed similar projects around the world, The USACOE decided to have ASR re-do the design. This re-design commenced in 2008 and was completed in 2010.

Permitting.

1. The US Corps of Engineers are responsible for securing all required permits.
2. Permits are required from the County, State Lands, & RWQCB. To date no permits have been secured.
3. State Lands require that BEACON will assume the beach lease which would require BEACON to maintain the beach and access roads. BEACON has agreed to assume the beach lease upon installation of the facility.

Construction.

1. The USCOE and BEACON have executed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) defining the Operations and Maintenance responsibilities of the completed project.
2. Construction (fabrication/installation) is estimated to cost approximately \$5M. Due to delays in funding appropriations, the project construction is on hold. The soonest construction could begin is summer of 2015.
3. Removal of the artificial reef, if required, will be the responsibility of the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Issues/Action:

1. Review of Administrative Draft Environmental Document.
2. Public outreach.
3. Funding for Installation and Construction.

Project Status Report**Project Name:** Rincon Parkway Nourishment Project**Current Estimated Project Cost:** \$5,000,000**Date:** May 16, 2014**Purpose:**

To provide nourishment to the Rincon Parkway beaches located in Northern Ventura County.

Description:

1. In 2012 and again in 2013, BEACON submitted a grant proposal to the California Division of Boating and Waterways to fund a beach nourishment project along the Rincon Parkway in Ventura County.
2. The nourishment will restore 2-3 miles of the shoreline using approximately 400,000 cubic yards of sand taken from the Ventura Harbor Sand Trap.
3. The benefits of the beach nourishment are projected to last for as much as fifteen years.
4. The project requires a partnership with the US Army Corps of Engineers as a beneficial re-use contract option during the next available dredging cycle of the Ventura Harbor Maintenance Project.

Status:**Funding.**

1. BEACON has requested a grant totaling \$4.8m over a two year period with \$2.4m coming in FY2014-15 and \$2.4m in FY2015-16.
2. The Division of Boating and Waterways has indicated that the potential for BEACON to receive Grant funding is favorable. Initial funding has been included in the recommended Governors Budget.
3. The commitment of funding will be secured in June of 2014 with the adoption of the Governor's Budget.

Environmental.

1. BEACON will secure the services of consultants to perform the project environmental review.
2. The environmental review will not begin till the Grant Funding is secured.

Design.

1. BEACON will secure the services of consultants to perform the project design.
2. The design will not begin till the Grant Funding is secured.

Permitting.

1. BEACON will have to secure permitting for the nourishment placement.
2. Permits will be required from the County of Ventura, State Lands, US Army Corps of Engineers, and RWQCB.

Construction.

1. Construction is not expected to commence till 2016, at the earliest.

Issues/Action:

1. Secure Grant Funding from the California Division of boating and Waterways.

Project Status Report

Project Name:	South Central Coast Beach Enhancement Program (SCCBEP)
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Current Estimated Project Cost:	\$250,000
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Date:	May 16, 2014
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Purpose:

To re-nourish a denuded littoral cell, provide erosion control, and provide recreational benefits at select beaches.
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Description:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The SCCBEP program allows for the deposition of suitable sand onto selected beaches in Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties. 2. In 2005, five year permits were secured to allow (assuming source sand and funding was available) the annual nourishment at the following selected six beaches: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Goleta Beach (Santa Barbara County) b. Ash Avenue Beach (City of Carpinteria) c. Oil Piers (County of Ventura) d. Surfers Point (City of Ventura) e. Oxnard Shores (City of Oxnard) f. Port Hueneme Beach (City of Port Hueneme) 3. In 2010 the permitting expired. During the five period, the permits were utilized twice, both at Goleta Beach. 4. The expired SCCBEP was not cost effective and therefore BEACON is currently assessing how to redesign the program into a simpler and more streamlined program. 5. The key elements of the new program that BEACON staff are considering include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination with the Permitting Agencies • New evaluation of the best destination beaches • Use of sand in the harbor sand traps as the only source sand • New environmental document • Twenty year permits |
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Status:**Funding.**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Currently BEACON only has a minimal reserve of \$10,000 dedicated to the assessment of a new SCCBEP. 2. The initial step will be for BEACON Staff to meet with the Santa Barbara and Ventura County Flood Control Agencies as well as the Harbor Districts to discuss sand sources. Following this, BEACON Staff will meet with the Coastal Commission Staff to discuss the potential redesign of the SCCBEP. 3. At this time, Staff will bring the topic back to the BEACON Board for direction. 4. If the BEACON Board directs Staff to proceed, BEACON Staff will pursue Grant funding in the amount of \$250,000. 5. Upon securing grant funding, a new evaluation and selection of destination beaches will need to be prepared. |
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Environmental.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. A new environmental assessment for the new SCCBEP will be required. Commencement of this effort will be dependent upon receipt of Grant funding. |
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Design.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. In March 2001, under contract to BEACON, Moffatt & Nichol Engineers (MNE) completed the design for potential placement of suitable on the six selected beaches from the original SCCBEP. These designs may be utilized during development of the new SCCBEP. However, depending on which destination beaches are selected, additional design may be required. |
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Project Status Report - continued

Project Name:	South Central Coast Beach Enhancement Program (SCCBEP)		
Current Estimated Project Cost:	\$250,000	Date:	May 16, 2014

Status (continued):

Permits.

1. The new SCCBEP will require permits from:
 - a. The local jurisdictions within which the selected destination beaches are located (Counties or Cities)
 - b. State Lands Commission for all selected beaches
 - c. Regional Water Quality Control Board for all selected beaches
 - d. California Coastal Commission for all selected beaches
 - e. US Army Corps of Engineers for all selected beaches
2. BEACON will be setting up initial meetings with all of the permitting agencies to secure input during the design of the new SCCBEP.

Construction.

1. Following completion of the environmental document, the design and the permitting, construction will be addressed on a project by project basis.

Issues/Action:

1. Meetings with the Santa Barbara and Ventura County Flood Control District and with the Harbor Districts.
2. Meeting with the Coastal commission Staff.
3. Direction from the BEACON Board.
4. Pursue Grant Funding.
5. Set up meetings with the Permitting Agencies.

STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: 05/16/14
Agenda Item: 7

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: 05/08/14



A California Joint Powers Agency

Sea Cliff Specific Coastal Commission/BEACON Sand Impact Fee Memorandum of Agreement.

Actions:

- a. Receive verbal report on the Sea Cliff Specific Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between BEACON and the California Coastal Commission regarding coastal sand impact fees.
- b. Authorize and ratify approval of the Sea Cliff Specific Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between BEACON and the California Coastal Commission by the Executive Director.

DISCUSSION:

In 2006 a Memorandum of Agreement between BEACON and the California Coastal Commission was crafted defining an arrangement by which BEACON would receive sand impact mitigation fees from the sponsors of coastal projects that adversely impact beach sand.

The Coastal Commission will assess the fees through its coastal development permit process as a result of adverse impacts to coastal sand from shoreline protective structures, such as seawalls and revetments, on the beaches within Santa Barbara and Ventura. The Commission did not fully execute the MOA. However, recently BEACON Staff refreshed the MOA and resubmitted it for consideration by Coastal Staff. Consensus has been reached on the updated MOA and it is currently slated for approval by the Commission in early summer.

A recently approved project for a sea wall revetment repair at Sea Cliff will trigger an impact fee payable to BEACON in the amount of \$60,000. However, in the absence of a fully approved MOA, this payment cannot be made. As a result, Coastal Staff and BEACON Staff have developed a slightly modified version of the MOA that is specific only to the Sea Cliff revetment repair project. This project specific MOA can be approved by Coastal Staff and does not have to go to the Commission, BEACON's Counsel has reviewed the Sea Cliff project specific MOA and recommends approval by the Board. Once approved by BEACON and Coastal Staff the Sea Cliff Homeowners Association will issue a check for \$60,000 to BEACON. The MOU was approved by BEACON Counsel and the Executive Director in April 2014 and has been submitted to the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission for execution.

The MOA allows BEACON to expend the \$60,000 on the establishment of improved beach access to Sea Cliff Beach, improvements to parking at Oil Piers Beach, or recreational, access or nourishment improvements at another suitable beach within the Coastal Zone in Ventura County.

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Memorandum of Agreement Between
The Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON)
And The California Coastal Commission
Establishing a Process for the Administration of the
BEACON Shoreline Sand Supply and Public Access Fund

Whereas, the California Coastal Commission ("Commission") collects fees through its coastal development permit process pursuant to special conditions of various permits, as required mitigation for the adverse impacts of shoreline protective structures, such as seawalls and revetments, on the beaches within Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties;

Whereas, the Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON) is a joint powers authority representing the counties of Ventura and Santa Barbara and the coastal cities within those counties consisting of Goleta, Santa Barbara, Carpinteria, Ventura, Oxnard and Port Hueneme (BEACON's jurisdiction);

Whereas, BEACON's mission is the protection and restoration of coastal resources within the jurisdiction that it represents;

Whereas, Special Condition Two of Coastal Development Permit 4-07-154 requires that the Sea Cliff Homeowner's Association deposit \$60,000 in mitigation fees in an interest-bearing account created by the Ventura County Auditor-Controller for BEACON, with all interest earned payable to the account for the purposes stated below;

Whereas, the purpose of this account is to establish a new BEACON Shoreline Sand Supply and Public Access Fund to provide a mechanism by which the mitigation fees required pursuant to Special Condition Two of Coastal Development Permit 4-07-154 can be used to construct public access and recreational improvements in beach areas in Ventura County;

Whereas, the funds shall be solely used to construct a new public access stairway to the beach and/or public parking improvements at Oil Piers Beach or to establish a new or improved public access or recreation project or nourishment project at another appropriate location within the Coastal Zone in Ventura County, as authorized by the Executive Director of the Commission;

Whereas, the funds shall be allocated as provided for in this memorandum of agreement (MOA), setting forth terms and conditions to assure that the mitigation fees will be expended in the manner intended by the Commission;

Now, therefore, in consideration for the receipt of the aforementioned funds, BEACON does hereby agree, and in consideration for BEACON's efforts consistent with this agreement, the Commission does hereby agree in accordance with Special Condition 2 of Coastal Development Permit 4-07-154 to participate in the administration of the new BEACON Shoreline Sand Supply and Public Access Fund as follows:

March 2014

Sand Impact Fee Memorandum of Agreement
Between California Coastal Commission and BEACON

1. Fund Administration

BEACON will hold the mitigation fees in an interest-bearing account created by the Ventura County Auditor-Controller or trust fund maintained and operated by BEACON as one fund. The funds shall be used to construct a new public access stairway to the beach and/or public parking improvements at Oil Piers Beach or to establish a new or improved public access or recreation project or nourishment project at another appropriate location within the Coastal Zone in Ventura County consistent with the eligibility criteria listed in Section 3 'Eligible Projects' below.

The money in the fund will be invested by BEACON in accordance with applicable law. A copy of the annual accounting review shall be submitted, upon completion, to the Executive Director of the Commission.

2. Fund Allocation

The Commission and BEACON agree that, prior to the allocation of any funds, a proposal for the use of funds must be submitted by BEACON to the Executive Director of the Commission for review and approval. The Commission's Executive Director must provide written concurrence with each proposed allocation, before any allocation occurs;

The Commission and BEACON agree that each disbursement will be made by BEACON with conditions that guarantee that the fees are used as intended by BEACON and the Commission's Executive Director.

3. Eligible Projects

Only projects that meet all of the following criteria will be considered by BEACON for funding:

a. Projects may be carried out by the local jurisdictions themselves, by BEACON or by other agencies, including, but not limited to, the US Army Corps of Engineers, the U. S. Navy, the California Coastal Conservancy or the State Division of Boating and Waterways; or by private parties and / or non-profit organizations;

b. Only projects that involve creation or enhancement of public access or public recreational opportunities for beaches within BEACON's jurisdiction will be considered for funding. Public recreation improvement projects may include, but are not limited to, public beach access ways, bluff top access ways, public viewing areas, public restrooms, public beach parking, and public beach trail improvements. Since the fees that will go into the fund are intended to mitigate adverse impacts of shoreline protective structures on beach sand supply or beach recreation, only projects that create or enhance public beach access and recreational opportunities, shall be supported by the fund; and

c. Only capital projects and projects preparatory to capital projects will be considered for funding. Mitigation fees cannot be used for operations, research, or planning studies, other than design, environmental or permit work preparatory to a capital project. BEACON may determine that funds should be allocated to engineering or permitting (e.g., environmental documentation) costs directly related to the implementation of a capital project, if necessary to secure supplemental funds from another source.

Sand Impact Fee Memorandum of Agreement
Between California Coastal Commission and BEACON

4. Project Funding Criteria

The Commission and BEACON agree that the criteria included in Section 3 'Eligible Projects' (with the Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act as guidance) shall be used by the BEACON and its member agencies in deciding how to allocate the fund to projects. BEACON staff will provide an evaluation of how a particular project meets these criteria to its Board of Directors and the Commission's Executive Director. The BEACON Board of Directors shall use this evaluation as a basis for their discussions and decisions on funding allocation.

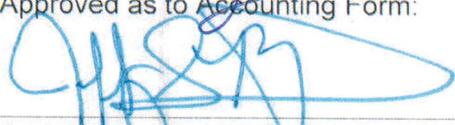
Be It Further Resolved that it is the intent of this MOA to assure consistency in the administration and allocation of mitigation fees from the BEACON Shoreline Sand Supply and Public Access Fund.

Be It Further Resolved that this MOA may be altered, changed or amended by mutual consent in writing of the parties hereto. Either party may terminate this MOA by providing written notification 30 days prior to termination.

Be It Further Resolved that in the event of termination of this MOA by either party, any and all remaining funds shall be transferred by BEACON to a Commission-approved alternate entity for the provision of beach nourishment activities and/or the provision/enhancement of public access or public recreation in shoreline areas.

5. Duration

This agreement shall remain in force until cancelled upon notice by either party.

<p>BEACON</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  Executive Director </div> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <p>Date <u>4/15/2014</u></p>	<p>CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Executive Director </div> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <p>Date</p>
<p>Approved as to Form:</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  BEACON Legal Counsel </div>	
<p>Approved as to Accounting Form:</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  Assistant Auditor-Controller, County of Ventura </div>	

STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: 05/16/14
Agenda Item: 8

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Ventura County Auditor-Controller's Office
Date: May 08, 2014

Subject: Auditor-Controller Recommended Actions
(**Recommendation requires 8/10th vote**)

Actions:

- a. Receive and file Recommended Fiscal Year 2014-15 Budget.
- b. Approve membership dues for Fiscal Year 2014-15.
- c. Receive and file the Budget-to-Actual report for the year-to-date period ending March 31, 2014.

Discussion for Recommendation a:

This budget assumes the regular annual dues and contains a Contingency of \$57,219. If unused, this would leave an ending fund balance of approximately \$57,219.

Analysis

Last year's budget process highlighted a trend that has been developing for the previous several years whereby a gap between revenue from membership dues and projected overhead expenses continued to exist. During that time the gap had been closed through the use of available fund balances or contingency from previous fiscal years. This gap was the result of:

- Less grant revenue from other agencies to cover a portion of overhead expenditures, leaving the overhead burden to membership dues and interest revenues.
- Decreasing membership dues beginning in Fiscal Year 2009-10 when a 15% temporary reduction in membership dues was adopted, and which was continued into Fiscal Year 2010-11. In Fiscal Year 2011-12 an approximately 10% temporary reduction was also adopted. In Fiscal Year 2012-13 membership dues returned to normal levels.
- No other annual revenue stream.

Overhead. BEACON's overhead is made up of contract services to provide program management, specific project management, contract management, coastal engineering technical expertise, accounting, auditing, legal, and administrative services as well as minor miscellaneous agency expenses. BEACON as an agency is small but has grand aspirations. Staff must oversee and manage/maintain ongoing projects as well as pursue funding and develop proposals for new projects/programs.

Other Revenue/Funding Sources. Historically, BEACON has been able to utilize project specific grant funding to contribute to overhead expenses. However, in recent years grant agencies have been stricter on allowing local agencies to use a portion of grant funds for oversight and management. BEACON has been approached by other agencies to take on coastal access maintenance activities for reimbursement. If such undertakings make sense to the Board, they could also contribute to funding portions of overhead expenditures. However, at this time no such commitments have been formulated for consideration by the Board.



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Recommended Budget

Staff is recommending consideration by the Board of the Budget presented in Exhibit 1, which assumes the regular annual dues amounts. This budget reflects a balanced budget whereby overhead costs are slightly more than annual revenues from membership dues, with interest earnings plus appropriated fund balance filling the gap. This results in a contingency of \$57,219.

Discussion for Recommendation b:

In order to allow member agencies to include the appropriate BEACON membership dues in their respective annual budgets, staff is requesting the Board consider approval of regular annual dues for BEACON and its inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 BEACON Budget as follows:

County of Ventura	\$18,000
County of Santa Barbara	\$18,000
City of Santa Barbara	\$15,000
City of Oxnard	\$15,000
City of San Buenaventura	\$10,000*
City of Carpinteria	\$ 9,000
City of Port Hueneme	\$ 9,000
City of Goleta	<u>\$ 9,000</u>
Total	\$103,000

* Rate approved by BEACON Board in recognition of staff and technical resources provided by the City of San Buenaventura.

Discussion for Recommendation c:

Receive and file report from Ventura County Auditor-Controller's Office on Budget-to-Actual for Fiscal Year 2013-14 for the period ending March 31, 2014 (Exhibit 2).

STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: 11/15/13
Agenda Item: 7

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: 11/05/13

Subject: Single-Use Bag Reduction

ACTION:

- a. Receive a verbal report update on the Status of BEACON Member Agency Bag Ban Ordinance progress.

DISCUSSION:

In May 2013, BEACON completed, but did not certify, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) as a Co-Lead Agency under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15051(d) to assess the consequences of a Single-Use Carryout Bag Ordinance that participating agencies within Santa Barbara and Ventura counties may consider for adoption.

Since that time a number of the BEACON Member Agencies have made progress towards certification of a Single-Use Bag Reduction Ordinance EIR and issuance of a Single-Use Bag Ban Ordinance.



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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: 05/16/14
Agenda Item: 10

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: 05/08/14

Subject: Consider the Establishment of a BEACON Internship Position

ACTION:

- a. Receive verbal discussion on possibility for BEACON to establish an Internship position.

DISCUSSION:

BEACON is a regional agency with the sole responsibility to address coastal preservation, erosion control, coastal sediment nourishment and clean ocean issues and project. These responsibilities are unique in that they are the only responsibilities of BEACON. With this focused mission along with the unique Central Coast littoral cell that makes up BEACON's jurisdiction, we have an excellent opportunity for an internship position with BEACON. The Executive Director recommends consideration by the Board to entertain the possibility for the establishment of a BEACON Internship position.



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