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**NOTICE MEETING**

**BEACH EROSION AUTHORITY FOR CLEAN OCEANS AND  
NOURISHMENT (BEACON)  
September 16, 2022**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** of a **MEETING** of the Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON). The date, time, and place of the meeting shall be as follows:

**DATE: Friday, September 16, 2022**

**TIME: 9:00 AM**

**PLACE: TELECONFERENCE (see details below)**

The agenda of business to be conducted is below.

**Gregg Hart, Chairperson  
BEACON**

In September 2021, the California State Legislature passed, and the Governor signed, Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas, 2021), which amends Government Code to allow Brown Act bodies to continue to meet remotely if certain elements are met.

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  - a. Distribution to the Board. Submit comments via email to [Staff@Beacon.ca.gov](mailto:Staff@Beacon.ca.gov) prior to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2022, or through mail to BEACON at 501 Poli Street, Ventura, Ca 93001 to be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2022. Your comment will be placed into the record and distributed appropriately.
  - b. Read into the record at the meeting. Submit comments of 250 words, or less, via email to [Staff@Beacon.ca.gov](mailto:Staff@Beacon.ca.gov) prior to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2022, prior to the Board meeting. Please indicate if you would like to make a general public comment, a comment on a specific agenda item, or both. Please state in your email, or mail, if you would like the comment "read into the record." Every effort will be made to read your comment into the record, but some comments may not be read due to time limitations. Comments timely received on an agenda item will be placed into the record and distributed accordingly.
  - c. By Zoom. Log onto Zoom as described above. The meeting will be controlled by the BEACON Chair, Mr. Gregg Hart. If you wish to make a comment during the meeting, please raise your hand using the Zoom instructions on your computer. By using the typed messaging capability of Zoom you should also indicate to the Chair which Agenda Item you wish to speak on or if you wish to make a general comment that is not specific to an Agenda Item. BEACON Staff will make every effort to call you during the indicated item so that you may comment.

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## MEETING AGENDA

### 1. Administrative Items

#### A. Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions—Chair Gregg Hart

#### B. Report on Circumstances of the COVID-19 State of Emergency

1. Receive and file:
  - a. An update that the State and County remain under a proclaimed state of emergency related to COVID-19; and
  - b. The County of Santa Barbara Public Health Department recommendation issued September 1, 2022 (Attachment 1), and the Ventura County Health Officer recommendation issued November 15, 2021 (Attachment 2) regarding social distancing.
2. Based on the above findings proceed with this meeting and direct staff to continue to notice and hold hearings as remote hearings consistent with Government Code § 54953(e)(3).



**C. Approval of Agenda and Filing of Certificate of Agenda Posting.**

**D. Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meeting held on July 15, 2022.**

**2. Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda**

**3. Presentations**

Presentation on Sea Level Rise Adaptation by a representative of the California Department of Parks and Recreation – Postponed till November 2022 Board Meeting.

**4. Projects –None**

**5. BEACON Organization and Program**

**A. Board Member Reports**

Directors are invited to provide reports and updates on items of interest in their County or City

**B. BEACON Financial Actions**

**Recommended Actions:**

i. Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget-to-Actual report for the year-to date period ending June 30, 2022 (Exhibit I).

ii. Authorize the Auditor-Controller’s Office to make budgetary adjustments as follows: (requires 6/10th);

INCREASE	5665-2159	\$1,000
DECREASE	5665-2183	\$1,000

iii. Authorize the Auditor-Controller’s Office to make budgetary adjustments as follows: (requires 6/10th);

INCREASE	5668-9252	\$475,000
INCREASE	5668-2183	\$400,000
INCREASE	5668-2199	\$75,000

iv. Authorize the Auditor-Controller’s Office to make budgetary adjustments as follows: (requires 6/10th);

INCREASE	665-2183	\$25,000
DECREASE	5665-6101	\$6,000
DECREASE Fund Balance	5665-5420	\$19,000

**C. BEACON Contracts and Agreements**

**Recommended Actions:**

i. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with COM3 Consulting for program management services to accommodate reimbursement of expenses related to educational events, seminars and BEACON related workshops and related travel costs, registration fees, hotel



accommodations, food, meals and mileage, consistent with BEACON's budget.

**D. Carmen Ramirez**

**Recommended Actions:**

- i. Approve and authorize staff to cooperate with the Ventura County Community Foundation (VCCF) as VCCF establishes a scholarship fund in the memory of Carmen Ramirez (involving private donations only) and direct Staff and the Auditor-Controller to forward any unsolicited donations or pledges of donation to the Carmen Ramirez scholarship fund so long as the donor agrees; and
- ii. Approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with CSUCI to provide CSUCI a grant of \$25,000 to develop a plan (organizational and financial) to establish a coastal research institute focused on conservation and environmental justice in the name of Carmen Ramirez, upon review and approval of legal counsel and Auditor-Controller.

**6. Executive Director's Report and Communications - Postponed till November 2022 Board Meeting**

The Executive Director will report on recent activities and achievements of BEACON, upcoming events of interest to the Board of Directors and the public, and general status of BEACON major projects, including the status of recent BEACON presentations on activities and accomplishments to our member agencies. There will be no Board discussion except to ask questions or refer matters to Staff; no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

Upcoming November Meeting Agenda:

- A. Grants and Contracts Updates
- B. Project Updates
- C. Regional SLR Adaptation Planning
- D. Calendar of 2023 BEACON Board Meetings



**7. Adjourn in Memory of Carmen Ramirez**

The BEACON Meeting will be adjourned in the memory of Carmen Ramirez.

**BEACON Mourns the Loss of Carmen Ramirez**

**The Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON) Board of Directors and staff mourn the loss of Carmen Ramirez, long-time Board member and community champion who tirelessly fought to protect our Ventura County coastline, environment and community.**

**“Carmen was truly a unique force for good in our community. She was a community champion for all county residents, a pillar in the long struggle for justice and a role model for local leaders and community members alike,” said Gregg Hart, Chair of the Board of Directors of BEACON. “She had a commitment to unite conservation and community for the protection of all; had a moral compass that wisely directed her work,” he added.**

**Carmen served on the Board of Directors of BEACON for more than a decade beginning in 2012 representing the City of Oxnard and in 2018 representing the County of Ventura. She was an unparalleled leader, serving as Vice-Chair and as a member of the Executive Committee of the BEACON Board of Directors.**

**Carmen provided strong leadership for regional coastal and ocean protection, pushed BEACON to invest in Ventura’s coastal underserved and underrepresented communities and continuously advocated for inclusion, access, and diverse representation and participation. She was a staunch advocate and a true hero for the coast. Her leadership in the successful defeat of the LNG terminal off the Oxnard Coast is just one of many examples how Carmen united people to coalesce around important projects.**

**Carmen listened. She took the time to generally invest in people, to get to know those she came in contact with and was about people and for people. She was a trailblazer that truly cared.**

**On behalf of the BEACON Board of Directors, and the larger BEACON community, we want to remember Carmen’s deep and enduring contributions to positive advances in every aspect of community life in Ventura County.**

**We will all miss you Carmen, and your gracious presence, warm smile, and your enthusiasm, energy and enterprise. But most importantly, we will miss your huge heart!**



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**STAFF REPORT**

**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 1B**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 8, 2022**

**Subject: Report on Circumstances of the COVID-19 State of Emergency**

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

- i. Receive and file:
  - a. An update that the State and County remain under a proclaimed state of emergency related to COVID-19; and
  - b. The County of Santa Barbara Public Health Department recommendation issued September 1, 2022, and the Ventura County Health Officer recommendation issued November 15, 2021 regarding social distancing.
- ii. Based on the above findings proceed with this meeting and direct staff to continue to notice and hold hearings as remote hearings consistent with Government Code § 54953(e)(3).

**DISCUSSION:**

In September 2021, the California State Legislature passed, and the Governor signed, Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas, 2021) (AB 361), which amends the Government Code to allow Brown Act bodies to continue to meet remotely if certain elements are met. AB 361 took effect immediately and applies to all Brown Act boards, committees, and commissions. Below summarizes the ongoing declared emergencies related to the COVID-19 pandemic and the current status of community transmission.

**Federal and State**

On January 31, 2020, the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) declared a public health emergency under section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42 USC § 247d) in response to COVID-19. On March 13, 2020, the US President declared a national emergency concerning the COVID-19 pandemic which on February 18, 2022 was extended beyond March 1, 2022. On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency for conditions caused by COVID-19 which has been extended beyond March 31, 2022.

**Santa Barbara County**

On March 12, 2020, the Santa Barbara County Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a Local Emergency as a result of the COVID-19 and the Santa Barbara County Health Officer declared a Local Health Emergency, due to the imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Santa Barbara County. Thereafter, on March 17, 2020, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors ratified the Proclamation of a Local Emergency and the Declaration



of a Local Health Emergency which remain in effect. As of September 1, 2022, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Officials continue to recommend utilizing teleconferencing options for public meetings as an effective social distancing measure to facilitate participation in public affairs and encourage participants to protect themselves and others from the COVID-19 disease (Attachment 1). As of September 7, Santa Barbara County is categorized as having a “low” level of community transmission by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's four-tiered system. As of September 2, 2022, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department reports a case rate of 20.4 per 100,000 and a 10.1% testing positivity rate.

### **Ventura County**

On March 12, 2020, the Ventura County Public Health Department declared a local health emergency in response to 1) increased spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) across the country 2) in alignment with the Governor of California’s Declared State of Emergency and mass gathering guidance 3) an increase of local cases. Thereafter, on March 17, 2020, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors proclaimed a Local Emergency and ratified and extended the Declaration of a Local Health Emergency which remain in effect.

As of November 15, 2021, the Ventura County Public Health Officer continues to recommend “that physical/social distancing measures continue to be practiced throughout our Ventura County communities to minimize the spread of COVID-19, including at meetings of the Board of Supervisors and meetings of other legislative bodies of the County of Ventura.” (Attachment 2). As of September 7, 2022, Ventura County is categorized as having a “low” level of community transmission by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's four-tiered system. As of September 2, 2022, the Ventura County Public reports a case rate of 18.3 per 100,000 and a 9.7% testing positivity rate.

### **Attachments:**

1. Santa Barbara County Health Officials AB 361 Social Distance Recommendation.
2. Ventura County Health Officer recommendation regarding Social Distancing and Continued Remote Meetings of Legislative Bodies.





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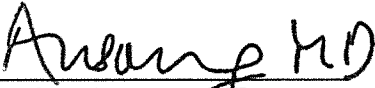
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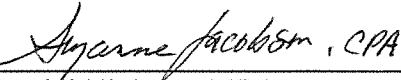
### HEALTH OFFICIALS AB 361 SOCIAL DISTANCE RECOMMENDATION

COVID-19 disease prevention measures, endorsed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, include vaccinations, facial coverings, increased indoor ventilation, handwashing, and physical distancing (particularly indoors).

Since March 2020, local legislative bodies-such as commissions, committees, boards, and councils- have successfully held public meetings with teleconferencing as authorized by Executive Orders issued by the Governor. Using technology to allow for virtual participation in public meetings is a social distancing measure that may help control transmission of the SARS- CoV-2 virus. Public meetings bring together many individuals (both vaccinated and potentially unvaccinated), from multiple households, in a single indoor space for an extended time. For those at increased risk for infection, or subject to an isolation or quarantine order, teleconferencing allows for full participation in public meetings, while protecting themselves and others from the COVID-19 virus.

Utilizing teleconferencing options for public meetings is an effective and recommended social distancing measure to facilitate participation in public affairs and encourage participants to protect themselves and others from the COVID-19 disease. This recommendation is further intended to satisfy the requirement of the Brown Act (specifically Gov't Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A)), which allows local legislative bodies in the County of Santa Barbara to use certain available teleconferencing options set forth in the Brown Act.

  
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*for* Daniel Nielson, MPA  
Public Health Interim Director  
County of Santa Barbara

To: Board of Supervisors  
County Executive Office  
Clerk of the Board

From: Dr. Robert Levin, Ventura County Health Officer



Date: November 15, 2021

Re: Recommendation regarding Social Distancing and Continued Remote Meetings of  
Legislative Bodies

I continue to recommend that physical/social distancing measures be practiced throughout our Ventura County communities to minimize the spread of COVID-19, including at meetings of the Board of Supervisors and meetings of other legislative bodies in the County of Ventura.

The California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") caution that the Delta variant of COVID-19, currently the dominant strain of COVID-19 in the country, is more transmissible than prior variants of the virus, may cause more severe illness, and that even fully vaccinated individuals can spread the virus to others resulting in rapid and alarming rates of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html>). While the Delta variant is the currently circulating variant, the Delta-2 variant, its likely successor, is 10 to 15% more transmissible. Current case and hospitalization rates have remained stubbornly higher than they were in the days leading up to the most recent surge. In some counties in our state, these rates are starting to climb again. We are facing the winter holidays and the opportunities these holidays present to promote transmission of COVID-19 infection. The winter season and its associated cold weather drives people indoors and provides another opportunity to spread the highly transmissible COVID-19 virus. Associated with these events last year our county experienced a surge in COVID-19 cases.

Whether vaccinated or not, positive individuals are contracting the Delta variant and infecting others in our communities. Social distancing and masking are crucial mitigation measures to prevent the disease's spread. Remote meetings of legislative bodies in the County, including but not limited to the Board of Supervisors are a recommended form of social distancing that allows for the participation of the community, county staff, presenters, and legislative body members in a safe environment, with no risk of contagion. It is recommended that legislative bodies in the County continue to implement 100% remote meetings. Just as it is likely that the current County order requiring the use of face coverings indoors will be in place beyond the first of the year,

though driven by good intentions, lifting the remote meetings policy at this time would be premature.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please do not hesitate to contact me.



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**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 1C**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 8, 2022**

**Subject: Approval of Agenda and Filing of Certificate of Agenda Posting**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**Approve and File.**



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**STAFF REPORT**

**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 1D**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 8, 2022**

**Subject: Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meeting held on July 15, 2022**

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

**Approve and File.**

## BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Friday, July 15, 2022  
**TIME:** 9:00 AM  
**PLACE:** TELECONFERENCE

<b>Item</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Call to Order, Roll Call, and Introductions – Chair, Gregg Hart.</b>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p><b>Directors Present:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Gregg Hart (County of Santa Barbara)</b></li> <li>• <b>Das Williams (County of Santa Barbara)</b></li> <li>• <b>Carmen Ramirez (County of Ventura)</b></li> <li>• <b>Eric Friedman (City of Santa Barbara)</b></li> <li>• <b>Vianey Lopez (City of Oxnard)</b></li> <li>• <b>Steven Gama (City of Port Hueneme)</b></li> <li>• <b>Matt LaVere (County of Ventura)</b></li> <li>• <b>Kyle Richards (City of Goleta)</b></li> <li>• <b>Joe Schroeder (City of Ventura)</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Directors Not Present:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Al Clark (City of Carpinteria)</b></li> </ul>
<b>Item</b>	<b>1B</b>	<p><b>Report on Circumstances of the COVID-19 State of Emergency</b></p> <p><b>Recommended Actions:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Receive and file:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>An update that the State and County remain under a proclaimed state of emergency related to COVID-19; and</b></li> <li>b. <b>The County of Santa Barbara Public Health Department recommendation issued February 16, 2022 (Attachment 1), and the Ventura County Health Officer recommendation issued November 15, 2021 (Attachment 2), regarding social distancing.</b></li> </ol> </li> <li>2. <b>Based on the above findings proceed with this meeting and direct staff to continue to notice and hold hearings as remote hearings consistent with Government Code § 54953(e)(3).</b></li> </ol>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p>Legal Counsel, Susan McKenzie indicated that we remain under local and State emergency and that Santa Barbara County and Ventura County Health Officials continue to recommend social distancing. The Board has discretion to continue meeting virtually.</p> <p><b>Board Members Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None.</li> </ul> <p><b>Public Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None.</li> </ul> <p><b>The Board approved unanimously the Recommended Action.  Moved by LaVere / Second by Friedman.</b></p>
<b>Item</b>	<b>1C</b>	<b>Approval of Agenda and Filing of Certificate of Agenda Posting</b>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p><b>Action: Approve and file.</b></p> <p><b>The agenda was approved unanimously by the Board.  Moved by Richards / Second by Williams.</b></p>

## BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Friday, July 15, 2022

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

**PLACE:** TELECONFERENCE

<b>Item</b>	<b>1D</b>	<b>Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meeting held on May 20, 2022. Action: Approve and file.</b>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>	<b>The Board approved unanimously the Recommended Action. Moved by Richards / Second by Williams.</b>	

<b>Item</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda Receive public comments.</b>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>	There were no public comments on matters not on the agenda.	

# BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Friday, July 15, 2022

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**PLACE:** TELECONFERENCE

<b>Item</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Presentations - Regional Sediment Management and Sea Level Rise Adaptation within the BEACON Coast.</b>
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# BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

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**PLACE:** TELECONFERENCE

**Minutes/  
Actions:**

Executive Director Beyeler introduced Dr. Kiki Patch professor at California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI). Dr. Patch is no stranger to BEACON. She is the co-chair of the BEACON Science Advisory Committee (SAC). She is also the lead with CSUCI for the MOU between CSUCI and BEACON for regional sediment management and regional climate adaptation as part of the OPC Regional Coastal Resilience Sediment Pilot Program Grant that BEACON secured. Dr. Patch has also been involved in the annual Sand Summit in Ventura County hosted by BEACON. At the recent Sand Summit in June 2022, Dr. Patch made a presentation that very nicely ties everything together in terms of regional sediment generation and sediment movement within the BEACON littoral cell. Dr. Patch will be repeating the presentation to the Board today.

Dr. Patch thanked Mr. Beyeler and indicated that following the Sand Summit the Ventura County Reported prepared an excellent article which provided excellent exposure to BEACON, and the sediment transport issues.

Dr. Patch's presentation is loaded onto the BEACON Website. The following is a summary of the key elements of the presentation.

### **Sand Movement Along BEACON Coast**

- The littoral cell or sand shed extends from the Santa Maria River down to the Mugu Canyon.
- Research indicates that at the north end of the BEACON littoral cell 30% of sediment does actually get around Point Conception.
- Longshore current is the movement of the littoral cell downcoast.
- The littoral cell is fed from all upland watersheds through the creeks and rivers.
- The littoral cell is interpreted by harbors which are then dredged and captured sediment rejoins the littoral cell on it journey downcoast.
- All the sand on all the beaches on BEACON's coast are fed from the littoral cell.
- The end of the line for the BEACON littoral cell is the Mugu Canyon, where the majority of sediment is deposited offshore.

### **How Measure Sand**

- The measurement of sand volumes in the littoral cell is complicated.
- The best proxy is through the quantities of sediment that is dredged from the harbors.
- Santa Barbara Harbor has a consistent volume of dredged sand entering the cell, whereas both Ventura Harbor and Channel Island Harbor have down trending of volumes of dredging.

### **Sand Sources**

- The biggest input of sediment comes from the Santa Clara River.
- Overall, 99.5% of sediment entering the littoral cell comes from the creeks and rivers. The remaining 0.5% is from bluff erosion.
- Obstructions to the natural sediment flow from creek and rivers are dams and debris basins.
- When the sand sources equal to sand sinks, we have equilibrium.
- Director Friedman asked where the 70% of sand goes at Mugu Canyon.
- When sand sources greater than sand sinks, we have accretion.
- When sand sources less than sand sinks, we have erosion.

### **Sand is Critical**

# BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

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- Sand is essential to maintaining the coastal systems.
- Without sand, essential habitat disappears, beaches disappear, and recreation opportunities are greatly diminished

## **Reductions to Sand Supply**

- Dams/debris basins and armoring deplete sand supply to the littoral cell.
- Armoring affects the sediment budget and entire cell, and armoring continues in the BEACON coast.
- It is estimated that Matilaja Dam has obstructed 35% of the sediment from the Ventura River from getting to the coast.

## **What To Do**

- Implement Regional Sand Management measures.
- BEACON is the leader with the SAC working on issues.
- BEACON is the perfect laboratory for the study of teamwork required to be successful.
- Sand deficits affect ecology, policy, and economics.
- Coastal monitoring is critical. Currently coastal monitoring is being done in silos. An effort to standardize monitoring is required.
- It is estimated that by 2100, 31 to 67% of all Southern California beaches will become eroded.

## **Conclusions**

- BEACON brings it all together in terms of science, policy, decision making tools, and analysis.
- BEACON brings together all jurisdictions and can implement good communications and transparency between them.

## **Board Members Comments:**

- Director Williams asked how much of sand loss is due to sand mining in rivers.
- Dr. Path indicated she was unsure about extent of ongoing sand mining in Ventura River. Certainly, if it is ongoing and debris basin clean out is also exported upland, then impact can be considerable.
- Director Williams added that Sant Barbara County always tries to ensure debris basin clean out goes to the coast.
- Brian Brennan added that mining in Santa Clara River does not occur anymore but that it continues in the Santa Maria River. It is possible that BEACON could initiate a permit for approval of sand mining with an associated fee that would go to BEACON.
- Director Ramirez indicated that there is a proposal to truck sand from Moorpark to Board Beach in LA County but that a permit was not issued.
- Brian Brenan indicated that this proposal is suspended. The sand source is now from Santa Clarita.
- Director Richard indicated that this was the best presentation on the littoral cell he has ever seen, hands down. It is very valuable to see from a systems perspective. Mr. Richards requested a copy of the presentation so he can post on the City of Goleta website.
- Executive Director Beyeler indicated that BEACON staff would make the presentation available.

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- Director Friedman asked where the 70% of sand from the littoral cell goes at Mugu Canyon?
- Dr. Patch indicated that most of the sand goes to an offshore sand bar.
  
- Director Gama indicated that he is very pleased with what has been done by BEACON in the last two years. He continued that each piece of the BEACON coast is unique but also part of the bigger cell. At Port Hueneme we try to understand Mother Nature and it is important that all decisionmakers understand the problems with sediment. It is critical that communications are clear. In this context, how can we assist each jurisdiction on the BEACON Coast to understand their sediment issues?
- Dr. Patch responded that cross region communications are important. At the Sand Summit for example, everyone is in the same room. We are able to focus attention at events like this and through the technical assessments by the SAC. In addition, the local jurisdiction LCP's need to be cohesive.
  
- Chair Hart asked how the sediment north of Point Conception impacts the BEACON Littoral Cell.
- Dr. Patch indicated that sediment north of Pt Conception has little impact on the BEACON Littoral Cell since very little gets past Pt Conception. At the other end, some sand from the BEACON littoral cell does leak past the Mugu Canyon. However, due to extensive housing construction there has been added erosion along the coast, which in turn has contributed to the sand deficit at Broad Beach.
- Chair Hart asked why is there a decline in dredging at Ventura Harbor?
- Dr. Patch indicated that the decline was due to reduced funding.
- Brian Brenna reported that BEACON helped ensure the bypass of dredging from SB Harbor occur further downcoast in order to get out of the harbor shadow.
- Dr. Patch indicated that this was an important point, it is essential that the dredging/bypass is 100% effective.
  
- Director Gama asked if we could trap sand at Point Mugu and send it to Malibu?
- Dr. Patch indicated that this concept has been studied but no one has figured out how to make it happen. It is a multi-jurisdictional political issue.
- Director Gama indicated that it would make sense to build a sand trap at Point Mugu so we can dredge and bypass.
  
- Executive Director Beyeler indicated that it was staff's goal to periodically report to the Board on regional sediment issues. The presentation by Dr. Patch will be posted on the BEACON website.

**Public Comments:**

- None.

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Item	5A	<b>BEACON Organization and Program - Board Members Reports.</b>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Director Richards reported that the City of Goleta has appointed a new City Manager, Mr. Robert Nesbit. He is familiar with the Central Coast. Director Richards added that the City will be sad to say goodbye to Michelle Greene, who has served in this role so extremely well.</li><li>• Director Friedman indicated that there is Coastal Commission Local Government Working Group update on August 12 at the Coastal Commission Meeting in Calabasas, and he encouraged all Board members to listen in. The draft agenda will be distributed to Board members by BEACON staff.</li><li>• Director Gama indicated he spent time with the new Ventura Harbor Director Michael Tripp, and they are gearing up to dredge in October 2022.</li></ul>

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<b>Item</b>	<b>5B</b>	<p><b>BEACON Contract and Agreement</b> <b>Recommended Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>i. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Cooperative Agreement with the City of Santa Barbara to jointly undertake a range of project activities to support the development and initial implementation of a Santa Barbara SLR Regional Monitoring Pilot Project, with BEACON providing project management, research and technical support with a period of performance from the approval date of both parties to June 30, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$475,000. (Attachment 1).</b></li><li><b>ii. Approve and authorize the Ventura Auditor-Controller to pay \$350 in Education and Seminar registration fees from the approved Budget Account Code 2273 accrued during the past Fiscal Year 2021-2022.</b></li><li><b>iii. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute and Agreement with MBA Consultants to provide executive director services in an amount not to exceed \$146,602.58 with a period of performance from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023 (Attachment 2).</b></li></ul>
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<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>	<p>Executive Director Beyeler indicated that he needed to make a Brown Act Notice. Legal Counsel Susan McKenzie read in item 5Biii – which is required when the Executive Director agreement is being considered for approval.</p> <p>Executive Director Beyeler indicated that there were three items for consideration by the Board.</p> <p>The first item was a cooperative agreement with the City of SB representing a partnership. The City approached BEACON to partner on implementing regular monitoring efforts. The City will provide community outreach and technical expertise. This partnership is consistent with the BEACON Strategic Plan and the SAC agenda.</p> <p>The second item allow BEACON to reimburse expenses incurred by the Executive Director for the cost of a BEACON related seminar registration.</p> <p>The third item is the new annual agreement with the Executive Director for Fiscal Year 2022-23.</p> <p><b>Board Members Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Director Ramirez asked how much time would be taken up by BEACON staff on implementing the BEACON scope of the City of SB – BEACON cooperative Agreement?</li> <li>• Executive Director Beyeler responded that this was an ongoing question. With the completion of the Surfers Point OPC grant project, BEACON staff have been freed up to work on the City SB project. In addition, the bulk of the BEACON responsible work will be performed by a consultant to BEACON. In addition, staff have identified a new administrative position for BEACON that is budgeted in FY 22-23. This new admin position will alleviate both the Executive Director and Program Manager (Mr. Comati) to be able to focus more on specific projects.</li> <li>• Director Ramirez indicated that a lot of groups are looking to BEACON as a model, so it is important that BEACON has sufficient staff. BEACON is a unique organization.</li> <li>• Chair Hart asked if City of SB Staff, Melissa Hendrick had any comments.</li> <li>• Melissa Hendrick indicated that she had nothing to add just that she was excited to launch. The goal is to use existing monitoring data and to add as required.</li> <li>• Director Friedman thanked Executive Director Beyeler and Melissa Hendrick and the City was excited to get started.</li> <li>• Chair Hart suggested that we reach out to Broad Beach to provide supplemental funding.</li> </ul> <p><b>Public Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None.</li> </ul> <p><b>The Board approved unanimously the Recommended Action.  Motion by Gama / Second by Friedman.</b></p>
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Item	6	Executive Director's Report and Communications
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p>Executive Director Beyeler reported on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Executive Director indicated that the Board heard about the Ventura Sand Summit today and staff is considering a Santa Barbara Sand Summit in addition to the ongoing Ventura one. Staff will discuss with the staff of the Santa Barbara jurisdictions.</li> <li>• The Board heard today about the new City of SB grant and the partnership with BEACON on implementing it. This type of BEACON involvement does actually return money to the BEACON budget since a portion of staff work related to the project is reimbursed by the grant and not BEACON overhead.</li> <li>• At the September Board Meeting staff intends to provide project updates and a report on resilience funding opportunities.</li> <li>• In September of this year the American Shore and Beach is going to be held in California in Long Beach. This is a great opportunity for BEACON staff and Directors to attend and participate.</li> </ul> <p><b>Board Members Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Director Gama indicated he has reached out to Malibu previously, but nothing happened. What can he do?</li> <li>• Executive Director Beyeler indicated that there is a new City Manager now, so perhaps the timing will be better.</li> </ul>

**Adjourn to next regular meeting September 16, 2022, at 9:00 AM by Teleconference or Video Conference. Meeting Minutes by Gerald Comati, Program Manager, BEACON.**



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**STAFF REPORT**

**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 2**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 9, 2022**

**Subject: Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive Public Comments.





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**STAFF REPORT**

**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 5A**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 8, 2022**

**Subject: Board Member Reports**

Directors are invited to provide reports and updates on items of interest in their County or City.



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**STAFF REPORT**

**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 5B**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: BEACON Executive Director**  
**Date: September 7, 2022**

**Subject: BEACON Financial Actions**

**RECOMMENDATION ACTIONS:**

- i. Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget-to-Actual report for the year-to-date period ending June 30, 2022 (Exhibit I).
- ii. Authorize the Auditor-Controller's Office to make budgetary adjustments as follows: (requires 6/10<sup>th</sup>);

INCREASE	5665-2159	\$1,000
DECREASE	5665-2183	\$1,000
- iii. Authorize the Auditor-Controller's Office to make budgetary adjustments as follows: (requires 6/10<sup>th</sup>);

INCREASE	5668-9252	\$475,000
INCREASE	5668-2183	\$400,000
INCREASE	5668-2199	\$75,000
- iv. Authorize the Auditor-Controller's Office to make budgetary adjustments as follows: (requires 6/10<sup>th</sup>);

INCREASE	5665-2183	\$25,000
DECREASE	5665-6101	\$6,000
DECREASE Fund Balance	5665-5420	\$19,000

**DISCUSSION:**

**Recommendation i:**

Staff regularly present summaries of the status of budgeted expenditures to actual expenditures throughout the fiscal year. Staff present this information to the Board and as part of our efforts to track spending through the year. Staff is recommending the Board receive and file the attached report.

**Recommendation ii:**

This item is an administrative budget adjustment to cover the BEACON ZOOM costs anticipated for FY22-23. The budget modification would be as follows:

- INCREASE 5665-2159 \$1,000
- DECREASE 5665-2183 \$1,000

**Recommendation iii:**

This item addresses the necessary budget adjustment to accommodate the new cooperative agreement with the City of Santa Barbara whereby BEACON would be reimbursed for up to \$475,000 through grant funding secured by the City, for beach monitoring scope. Of the \$475,000, \$400,000 would be used in expenses (a to-be-decided contractor under contract with BEACON) and \$75,000 would be for



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BEACON personnel (BEACON Staff and Science Advisory Committee). As a result of this action, the following budget modification would need to be done:

- INCREASE 5668-9252 \$475,000
- INCREASE 5668-2183 \$400,000
- INCREASE 5668-2199 \$75,000

**Recommendation iv:**

This item addresses the necessary budget adjustment to accommodate the grant to CSUCI a grant to develop a plan (organizational and financial) to establish a coastal research institute focused on conservation and environmental justice in the name of Carmen Ramirez. To implement this action the following budget modification would need to be done:

- INCREASE 5665-2183 \$25,000
- DECREASE 5665-6101 \$6,000
- DECREASE Fund Balance 5665-5420 \$19,000

Exhibits:

- I. BEACON Budget to Actuals

**BEACON FUND 0025  
YEAR TO DATE UNADJUSTED BUDGET TO ACTUAL FY 2021-22  
FOR THE MONTH ENDING JUNE 2022**

	Unit	Account	BUDGET		
			Adopted Budget	Budget Mod	Revised Budget
<b>FUND 0025 - UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE</b>					
<b>Fund Balance</b>					
Appropriation of Fund Balance		5950	-	-	-
<b>Subtotal - Unassigned Fund Balance</b>			-	-	-

ACTUAL YTD			
Actual	Encumbered	Total	
		Revenue/Obligation	Variance
227,213		227,213	227,213
<b>227,213</b>	-	<b>227,213</b>	<b>227,213</b>

<b>REVENUE - OPERATIONS DIVISION 5665</b>					
	Unit	Account			
<b>Revenue</b>					
<b>Operating Revenue:</b>					
Investment Income (Interest Earnings)	5665	8911	2,000		2,000
Other Governmental Agencies (Membership Dues)	5665	9371	304,159		304,159
Grant and Project Revenue	5665	9252	323,934	(323,934)	-
<b>Subtotal - Operating Revenue:</b>			<b>630,093</b>	<b>(323,934)</b>	<b>306,159</b>

1,388		1,388	(612)
304,159		304,159	-
-		-	-
<b>305,547</b>	-	<b>305,547</b>	<b>(612)</b>

<b>EXPENDITURES - OPERATIONS DIVISION 5665</b>					
<b>Operating Expenses (Overhead):</b>					
Insurance	5665	2072	3,800		3,800
Memberships and Dues	5665	2131	2,000		2,000
Miscellaneous Expense	5665	2159	25,700	(25,000)	700
Graphics Charges (This was a billing error & a credit was issued 01/22)	5665	2166			
Technical Services	5665	2183	399,034	(286,526)	112,508
Attorney Services	5665	2185	12,000		12,000
Other Professional & Specialized Services	5665	2199	156,900	(2,408)	154,492
Education Conference and Seminars - (Registration fees for conferences)	5665	2273	2,500		2,500
Travel Expenses - (Mileage, Travel & Conf.)	5665	2292	1,000		1,000
<b>Subtotal - Operating Expenses:</b>			<b>602,934</b>	<b>(313,934)</b>	<b>289,000</b>

4,715		4,715	(915)
850		850	1,150
287		287	413
-		-	-
82,978		58,982	53,526
10,850		10,850	1,150
150,906		150,906	3,586
1,350		1,350.00	1,150
-		-	1,000
<b>251,936</b>	-	<b>227,940</b>	<b>61,060</b>

<b>Contingencies:</b>					
Contingencies - Grant matching, Contract Amendments, New Programs.	5665	6101	27,159	(10,000)	17,159
<b>Subtotal - Contingencies:</b>			<b>27,159</b>	<b>(10,000)</b>	<b>17,159</b>

-		-	17,159
-		-	-

<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) IN OPERATIONS DIVISION</b>			-	-	-
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<b>53,611</b>		<b>77,607</b>	
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<b>REVENUE - GRANTS DIVISION 5668</b>					
	Unit	Account			
<b>Grant and Project Revenue:</b>					
Grant Funding (OPC Grant for Debris Basin Modification Project)	5668	9252		533,080	533,080
Grant Funding (OPC Grant - Surfer's Point Project)	5668	9252		101,112	101,112
Grant Funding (OPC Grant - RSM/SLR Adaptation)	5668	9252		440,800	440,800
<b>Subtotal - Grant and Project Revenue:</b>			-	<b>1,074,992</b>	<b>1,074,992</b>

(4,284)		(4,284)	(537,364)
123,620		123,620	22,508
150,347		150,347.00	(290,453)
<b>269,683</b>	-	<b>269,683</b>	<b>(805,309)</b>

<b>EXPENDITURES - GRANTS DIVISION 5668</b>					
<b>Grant Funding Expenditures:</b>					
Engineering and Technical Surveys - OPC Grant - Debris Basin Removal Project (Tasks 1, 8, 9) - COM3	5668	2183		20,000	20,000
Engineering and Technical Surveys - OPC Grant - Debris Basin Removal Project (Tasks 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) - SB County Flood Control	5668	2183		513,080	513,080
<b>OPC Grant - Debris Flow Modification Project:</b>			-	<b>533,080</b>	<b>533,080</b>
Engineering and Tech Surveys - OPC Grant - Surfer's Point Project - City of Ventura	5668	2183		101,112	101,112
<b>OPC Grant - Surfer's Point Project:</b>			-	<b>101,112</b>	<b>101,112</b>
Other Professional & Specialized Services - (Project Mgmt.)	5668	2199		19,958	19,958
Engineering and Technical Surveys - OPC Grant - RSM/SLR Adaptation	5668	2183		420,842	420,842
<b>OPC Grant - RSM/SLR Adaptation:</b>			-	<b>440,800</b>	<b>440,800</b>
<b>Subtotal - Grant Funding Expenditures:</b>			-	<b>1,074,992</b>	<b>1,074,992</b>

2,610		2,610	17,390
2,610	30,000	30,000	483,080
<b>2,610</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>32,610</b>	<b>500,470</b>
98,231		98,231	2,881
<b>98,231</b>	-	<b>98,231</b>	<b>2,881</b>
19,750		19,750	208
147,302	218,523	365,825.42	55,017
<b>167,052</b>	<b>218,523</b>	<b>385,575</b>	<b>55,225</b>
<b>267,893</b>	<b>248,523</b>	<b>516,417</b>	<b>558,576</b>

<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) IN GRANTS DIVISION</b>			-	-	-
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<b>1,790</b>		<b>(246,734)</b>	
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<b>FUND 0025 - COMBINED</b>					
TOTAL REVENUE			630,093	751,058	1,381,151
TOTAL FINANCING SOURCES			630,093	751,058	1,381,151
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			630,093	751,058	1,381,151

575,230	-	575,230	(805,921)
<b>802,443</b>	-	<b>802,443</b>	<b>(578,708)</b>
<b>519,829</b>		<b>744,356</b>	<b>619,636</b>

<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>			-	-	-
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<b>55,401</b>			
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Ending Unassigned Fund Balance

282,614



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**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 5C**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 8, 2022**

**Subject: BEACON Contracts and Agreements**

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

- i. Authorize the Chair to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with COM3 Consulting for program management services to accommodate reimbursement of expenses related to educational events, seminars and BEACON related workshops and related travel costs, registration fees, hotel accommodations, food, meals and mileage, consistent with BEACON's budget.

**DISCUSSION:**

In May 2022, the Board approved the FY 22-23 annual agreement with COM3 Consulting Inc. for project Management services. The agreement did not include specific language to address the independent reimbursement of costs associated with the attendance of educational events, conferences, or seminars relevant to the operations of BEACON. Staff is recommending that the Board approve Amendment No.1 to the agreement with COM3 Consulting to allow the reimbursement of authorized expenses incurred related to the attendance of educational events, seminars and BEACON related workshops consistent with contract provisions currently included in the annual agreement with the Executive Director.

**Attachments:**

Amendment No. 1 to COM3 Consulting Inc for Project Management Services.

**Amendment No. 1  
Between  
Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment  
And  
COM3 Consulting Incorporated**

**THE AGREEMENT** (hereafter, “Agreement”) beginning July 1, 2022 by and between the BEACH EROSION AUTHORITY FOR CLEAN OCEANS AND NOURISHMENT (hereafter, “BEACON”) and COM3 Consulting Incorporated (hereafter, “CONSULTANT”), individually referred to as Party, or collectively as Parties, is hereby amended (“Amendment No. 1”) as follows:

**Appendix B – COMPENSATION is deleted and replaced in its entirety as attached hereto and incorporated here by reference.**

**Ratifications.** The terms and provisions set forth in this Amendment No. 1 shall modify and supersede all inconsistent terms and provisions set forth in the Agreement. The terms and provisions of the Agreement, except as expressly modified and superseded by this Amendment No. 1 are ratified and confirmed and shall continue in full force and effect, and shall continue to be legal, valid, binding, and enforceable obligations of the parties.

**Counterparts.** This Amendment No. 1 may be executed in several counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute a single agreement between the parties.

**Authority.** This modification to the Agreement is made in compliance with Article VI “Changes to Agreement” of the above referenced Agreement.

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**BEACON/COM3 Consulting Agreement – AMENDMENT No.1**

COM3 Consulting Agreement for Project Management Services

FY 2022/2023

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 1 to the Project Management Services agreement with COM3 Consulting on the day and year below written, but effective as of July 1, 2022.

**CONSULTANT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Gerald Comati  
Title: President, COM3 Consulting Inc.  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**BEACON**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Gregg Hart  
Title: Chair, BEACON  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Gerald Comati  
Title: Financial Officer, COM3 Consulting Inc.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Marc Beyeler  
Title: Executive Director

Approved as to Form:  
Rachel Van Mullen  
County Counsel

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Susan L. McKenzie  
Senior Deputy County Counsel  
Counsel for BEACON

# BEACON/COM3 Consulting Agreement – AMENDMENT No.1

COM3 Consulting Agreement for Project Management Services

FY 2022/2023

## APPENDIX B - COMPENSATION

### COM3 Consulting Contract with BEACON for Project Management Services

FY 22-23 Billing Rates	
Title	Labor Rates
Principals	\$140-\$220/hour
Senior Associates	\$100-\$150/hour
Associates	\$100-\$120/hour
Specialists	Various
Admin	\$50-\$100/hour

Budget:						
Name	Position	\$/hr	hrs	Labor Budget	Expenses Budget	Total Budget
Gerald Comati	Principal	145	309	44,805	195	45,000
Gerald Comati	Principal	140	18	2,520	110	2,630
<b>Total Labor</b>			<b>327</b>	<b>47,325</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>47,630</b>

Incidental and regular expenses, including those listed below, shall be reimbursed under this Agreement. Other BEACON related expenses incurred by the CONSULTANT shall be reimbursed separately, consistent with the approved BEACON Budget.

Mileage <sup>1</sup>	\$0.54 per mile
Copying and printing	Billed at cost
Travel Costs and Transportation <sup>1,2</sup>	Billed at cost
Office supplies	Billed at cost
Postage	Billed at cost

CONSULTANT is responsible for providing all tools, vehicles, and equipment necessary to perform the services such as telephones, computers, printers, and computer software which are not subject to reimbursement under this Agreement. Any and all purchase of same, directly and exclusively for BEACON related activities, including specialized meeting, software, or internet or telecommunication services will be separately reimbursed at cost to the CONSULTANT, consistent with the approved BEACON Budget.

<sup>1</sup> Expenses related to Educational events, Conferences, Seminars, and BEACON related workshops and meetings, including reasonable Travel Costs<sup>2</sup>, registration fees, hotel accommodations, food and meals, and/or mileage (reimbursed at \$0.54 per mile) to and from such activities are not included under this Agreement. BEACON shall separately reimburse CONSULTANT for expenses related to these events and activities, consistent with the approved BEACON budget. For Food and Meals only reimbursement rates set forth by the California Department of Human Resources, incorporated herein by reference, (available at: <https://www.calhr.ca.gov/employees/pages/travel-reimbursements.aspx>), as may be periodically updated.

<sup>2</sup> "Travel Costs" are defined as reimbursement of authorized out-of-pocket expenses that are reasonably, actually, and necessarily incurred as a result of conducting BEACON business. If CONSULTANT incurs Travel Costs while representing multiple clients, CONSULTANT agrees BEACON shall not be responsible for all Travel Costs, but only for a pro rata share as determined based on the percentage of time allocable to BEACON. The reimbursement rate for hotel accommodations shall not exceed \$350 per night including all taxes and fees. BEACON and CONSULTANT agree the following is **not** authorized unless pre-approved in writing by BEACON: Out-of-country travel, Private Aircraft Transportation, First Class airline travel, and Relocation.





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**STAFF REPORT**

**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 5C**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 8, 2022**

**Subject: Carmen Ramirez**

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

- i. Approve and authorize staff to cooperate with the Ventura County Community Foundation (VCCF) as VCCF establishes a scholarship fund in the memory of Carmen Ramirez (involving private donations only) and direct Staff and the Auditor-Controller to forward any unsolicited donations or pledges of donation to the Carmen Ramirez scholarship fund so long as the donor agrees; and
- ii. Approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with CSUCI to provide CSUCI a grant of \$25,000 to develop a plan (organizational and financial) to establish a coastal research institute focused on conservation and environmental justice in the name of Carmen Ramirez, upon review and approval of legal counsel and Auditor-Controller.

**DISCUSSION:**

In the past couple of weeks, we have witnessed an outpouring of support to honor the memory and life work of Carmen Ramirez.

Among the many suggested actions there have been several different calls for a local scholarship to be established in Carmen's name. At the same time, BEACON staff have received unsolicited pledges of donations to a scholarship fund. BEACON staff have had discussions with staff of the Ventura County Community Foundation (VCCF) and, the VCCF, in consultation with the Carmen's family, has agreed to establish such a fund. BEACON staff are requesting permission from the Board to continue these efforts with our community partners.

In the last three years, BEACON and faculty and staff of California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) have developed several partnership projects involving coastal research. During this time BEACON had discussed the need for an institute/center focused on coastal issues, including importantly, coastal restoration, climate adaptation, and environmental justice. These were also priority issues for Carmen, as a board member of BEACON, an elected official, and a community advocate.

BEACON and CSUCI staff, faculty, and leadership have discussed that the next step in developing such an institute involves completing a concept organizational and financial plan to guide establishment of the institute and its work. Beacon staff enthusiastically support a grant for this purpose and support the naming of the institute in Carmen's memory.



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Beacon staff recommend the Board approve a grant of \$25,000 and authorize the Executive Director to enter into such an agreement upon review and approval of legal counsel and the Auditor-Controller. Further, staff is recommending the Board authorize staff to work with University officials to raise additional resources to implement the institute.



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**Meeting Date: September 16, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 6**

**To: BEACON Board of Directors**  
**From: Executive Director**  
**Date: September 8, 2022**

**Subject: Executive Director's Report and Communications – Postponed  
till November 2022 Board Meeting**

The Executive Director will report on activities and achievements of BEACON, upcoming events of interest to the Board of Directors and the public, and general status of BEACON. There will be no Board discussion except to ask questions or refer matters to Staff; no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

Upcoming November Meeting Agenda:

- A. Grants and Contracts Updates
- B. Project Updates
- C. Regional SLR Adaptation Planning
- D. Calendar of 2023 BEACON Board Meetings