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NOTICE MEETING

**BEACH EROSION AUTHORITY FOR CLEAN OCEANS AND
NOURISHMENT (BEACON)
January 20, 2023**

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: January 20, 2023

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: TELECONFERENCE (see details below)

The agenda of business to be conducted is below.

Laura Capps, Chairperson BEACON

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

The following alternative methods of participation are available to the public:

1. **You may observe the live meeting of the Board of Directors via Zoom Meeting:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83066774287?pwd=WldGRWVybzFGTk1EYTZRdDZndzFzdz09>
Meeting ID: 830 6677 4287
Passcode: 122872
2. **You may call in to listen live to the Board of Directors meeting by dialing 1669-900-6833 and then entering the following when prompted:**
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3. If you wish to make a general public comment or to comment on a specific agenda, the following methods are available:
 - a. Distribution to the Board. Submit comments via email to Staff@Beacon.ca.gov prior to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2023, or through mail to BEACON at 501 Poli Street, Ventura, Ca 93001 to be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2023. 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 prior to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2023, 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. 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.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations to participate in the meeting should contact BEACON at least three working days prior to the meeting.

MEETING AGENDA

1. Administrative Items

A. Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions–Chair

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

- 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.
- iii. Receive a report on teleconference options and direct staff to notice and hold meetings consistent with the traditional Brown Act teleconference rules allowing for either remote or in-person meetings so long as all requirements are met.

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

D. Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meeting held on November 7, 2022.

E. Election of Officers

Recommended Action:

Elect a Chair and Vice-Chair to serve a two-year term for calendar years 2023 and



2024.

F. Appointment of BEACON Executive Committee (2023-2024)

Recommended Action:

Confirm the following Chair's appointments to the BEACON Executive Committee for calendar years 2023 and 2024: the Past Chair, the Current Chair, the Current Vice Chair, one member from the Ventura County area member agencies, and one member from the Santa Barbara County area member agencies.

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.

4. Projects –

Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project

Recommended Actions:

- i. Receive and file a Staff Report on the status of the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project.
- ii. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to approve a new five-year Lease from the California State Lands Commission for the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project in order to allow a scientific review and assessment of the kelp anchor area document the success of the project objectives.

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 Contracts and Agreements

Recommended Action:

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Amendment No. 1 to the contract with Moss, Levy, & Hartzheim to provide financial audit services without a change in an amount not to exceed \$9,750 and which extends the period of performance three months for a revised term of July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023 (Attachment 1).



6. Executive Director's Report and Communications

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 March Meeting Agenda:

- A. Regional Sediment Management (RSM) and Sea Level Rise (SLR) Adaptation Planning
- B. Project Updates
- C. Grants and Contracts Updates
- D. Regional Headwaters to Oceans Conference Fall 2023 (Ventura-Beacon Co-Organizer)

7. Adjourn

Late Distribution of Materials

Any disclosable public records related to an open session item on a regular meeting agenda and distributed by the City Clerk to all or a majority of the members of the BEACON Board less than 72 hours prior to that meeting are available for inspection in the City Clerk Office, at 5775 Carpinteria Ave, Carpinteria, CA. 93013 and on the Internet at: BEACON.CA.GOV.

Any written ex-parte communication subject to disclosure by members of the BEACON Board may be published online as an attachment to the corresponding item.



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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 1B

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 12, 2023

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.
- iii. Receive a report on teleconference options and direct staff to notice and hold meetings consistent with the traditional Brown Act teleconference rules allowing for either remote or in-person meetings so long as all requirements are met.

UPDATE ON COVID-19 EMERGENCIES

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 December 2, 2022, HHS Secretary Becerra released a statement that HHS does not expect to extend the public health emergency beyond January 31, 2023. 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. On October 17, 2022, Governor Newsom announced an end to the COVID-19 State of Emergency as of February 28, 2023.

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 December 22, 2022, 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 December 28, 2022, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department reports a case rate of 14.9 per 100,000 and a 13.3% 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 December 22, 2022, Ventura County is categorized as having a “high” level of community transmission by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's four-tiered system. As of December 29, 2022, the Ventura County Public reports a case rate of 15.4 per 100,000 and a 11.1% testing positivity rate.

TELECONFERENCE OPTIONS

Effective January 1, 2023, under the Brown Act, the BEACON Board has the following three teleconferencing options:

Traditional

The Board may meet by teleconference, through audio or video or both, for all purposes, **IF**:

- (1) All votes taken by roll call;
- (2) Each location is identified in the agenda and the agenda is posted at each location;
- (3) Public rights are protected at each location, including accessibility; and
- (4) At least a quorum of members participate from within BEACON’s jurisdiction (Ventura and Santa Barbara County).

AB 361: Effective September 16, 2021. Sunsets January 1, 2024 or when requirements no longer met

Under this option BEACON must provide public option for remote public participation. The Board may meet via teleconference without adhering to “traditional” rules, **IF**:

- (1) Declared state of emergency;
- (2) Public health officer has recommended social distancing; and
- (3) The legislative body reconsiders and makes findings within every 30 days on the need to continue to meet remotely.



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Staff anticipates this option will no longer be available as of February 28, 2023. As widely reported the State of California is likely to end the COVID-19 State of Emergency as of February 28, 2023. If this occurs, the requirements under AB 361 can no longer be met.

AB 2449: Effective January 1, 2023. Sunsets January 1, 2026

AB 2449 authorizes less than a majority of the Board to participate remotely under limited *just cause* or *emergency circumstances*. A quorum of the body must participate from a single physical location open to the public. BEACON must provide public option to participate remotely.

Just cause means (1) child care or other caregiving of immediate family; (2) a contagious illness; (3) need related to physical or mental disability; or (4) travel while on government business. The Board member is required to notify the legislative body at the earliest possible opportunity, including at the start of a regular meeting, of their need to participate remotely for *just cause*, including a general description of the relevant circumstances.

Emergency circumstances means a physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from attending in person. The member is required to request the legislative body allow them to participate in the meeting remotely due to *emergency circumstances* and the BEACON Board must take action to approve the request. The request must be agendized with a general description of the relevant circumstances of request (excluding personal medical information) if time allows.

AB 2449 Limitations on Use of *Just Cause* or *Emergency Circumstances*

Within each calendar year, a Board member may only participate in meetings by teleconference due to *just cause* or *emergency circumstances* for two meetings per calendar year because BEACON meets less than ten times per year. (Gov. Code § 54953(f)(3).)

Board members participating through remote teleconferencing must:

- (1) Participate through both audio and visual technology; and
- (2) Disclose at the meeting whether any other individuals 18 years of age or older are present in the room at the remote location and the general nature of the member's relationship with the individual.

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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Suzanne Jacobson, CPA *Chief Financial Officer*
Paige Batson, MA, PHN, RN *Deputy Director*
Darrin Eisenbarth *Deputy Director*
Dana Gamble, LCSW *Interim Deputy Director*
Polly Baldwin, MD, MPH *Medical Director*
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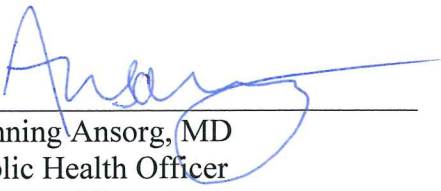
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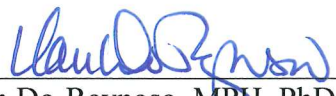
Issued: September 28, 2021

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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Van Do-Reynoso, MPH, PhD
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To: Board of Supervisors
County Executive Office
Clerk of the Board

From: Dr. Robert Levin, Ventura County Health Officer

Date: September 21, 2021



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

I strongly 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.

California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") and the federal 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>). Additionally, the CDC has established a "Community Transmission" metric with 4 tiers designed to reflect a community's COVID-19 case rate and percent positivity. Ventura County currently has a Community Transmission metric of "high" which is the most serious of the tiers.

Whether vaccinated or not, positive individuals are contracting the Delta variant and infecting others in our communities. Social distancing and masking are crucial mitigation measure to prevent the disease's spread. Remote meetings of legislative bodies of 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, staff, presenters, and legislative body members in a safe environment, with no risk of contagion. It is recommended that legislative bodies of the County continue to implement 100% remote meetings.

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



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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 1C

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

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

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve and File.



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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 1D

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

Subject: Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON
Meeting held on November 7, 2022

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Approve and File.

BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Monday, November 7, 2022

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: TELECONFERENCE

Item	1A	Call to Order, Roll Call, and Introductions – Chair, Gregg Hart.
Minutes/ Actions:	Directors Present: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gregg Hart (County of Santa Barbara) • Das Williams (County of Santa Barbara) • Eric Friedman (City of Santa Barbara) • Vianey Lopez (City of Oxnard) • Matt LaVere (County of Ventura) • Kyle Richards (City of Goleta) • Joe Schroeder (City of Ventura) Directors Not Present: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Al Clark (City of Carpinteria) • Steven Gama (City of Port Hueneme) 	

Item	1B	Report on Circumstances of the COVID-19 State of Emergency Recommended Actions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receive and file: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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).
Minutes/ Actions:	Board Members Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Hart indicated he needed a motion to continue the COVID emergency order which will expire at the end of February 2023. Public Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p>The Board approved unanimously the Recommended Action. Moved by LaVere / Second by Richards.</p>	

Item	1C	Approval of Agenda and Filing of Certificate of Agenda Posting Action: Approve and file.
Minutes/ Actions:	Board Members Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. Public Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p>The agenda was approved unanimously by the Board. Moved by LaVere / Second by Schroeder.</p>	

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Item	1D	Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meeting held on September 16, 2022. Action: Approve and file.
Minutes/ Actions:	Board Members Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Director Richards requested that his statements under Item 5A be clarified to read: In September 2022, the City of Goleta approved measures that prohibit the distribution and sale of polystyrene products, restricts the sale of Mylar balloons, and prohibits all balloon releases, regulates the distribution of plastic disposable foodware, and establishes an on-premises reusable foodware policy. Public Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">None. With the changes cited above, the Board approved unanimously to approve and file the BEACON Board Minutes from September 16, 2022. Moved by LaVere / Second by Richards.	

Item	2	Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda Receive public comments.
Minutes/ Actions:	Board Members Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">None. Public Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">None.	

Item	5A	BEACON Organization and Program - Board Members Reports.
Minutes/ Actions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Director Friedman reported that he was re-appointed as the chair of the League of California Cities Coastal Cities Leadership Group.Director Richards reported that the City of Goleta is working with the State Lands Commission to remove the two remaining oil piers (#421.1 and #421.2) from Haskell's Beach. Director Richards also reported that creek clean up events with EDC and the Urban Creeks Council are occurring in October and November of this year.	

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DATE: Monday, November 7, 2022

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: TELECONFERENCE

Item	5B	Report from BEACON Executive Committee Meeting 11-07-22 Recommended Actions: Receive a report from the Chair of the Executive Committee.
Minutes/ Actions:	Chair Hart reported that he has been working with the Executive Director on evaluation of the BEACON Program as well as Board Officer succession which will be discussed under item 5C. Board Members Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None. Public Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None.• The Executive Director acknowledged Jim Haussener with CMANC (California Marine Affairs and Navigation Conference) attending today's meeting.	

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Item	5C	Discussion Regarding Beacon Board Member Succession and Organization Recommended Action: Board Members to discuss BEACON Officer succession planning and provide any direction to staff.
Minutes/ Actions:		<p>Executive Director Beyeler reported that the board was aware of the tragic loss of Director Carmen Ramirez who was in the position of Vice Chair. Director Vianey Lopez has been appointed by the Governor to fill the seat on the Ventura County Board of Supervisors and to step in as Vice Chair of BEACON. Carmen Ramirez would be very pleased to know that Vianey taking these positions. In 2023, the new Chair will be Director Lopez.</p> <p>This is the last BEACON meeting for Chair Hart who will be sworn into the State Assembly in December 2022. Marc Beyeler reminded the Board that the Board approved 2-year assignments and that Gregg Hart would have stepped down as Chair at the end of 2022 irrespective of his election to the State Assembly. Decisions on the new Vice Chair will be made at the January 2023 Board Meeting. Consistent with practice, the next Vice Chair would come from a Santa Barbara County member agency.</p> <p>Marc Beyeler continued that BEACON has benefitted from leadership consistencies and we look forward to the future. Thank you to Gregg Haart and Carmen Ramirez, without whom we would not be where we are today.</p> <p>Marc Beyeler also stated that the Chair and Vice Chair typically sit on the Executive Committee, consequently, there are two openings on the Executive Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair Hart thanked Marc and the Board and indicted that it has been a great honor working with everyone of you. Chair Hart indicated he would work hard in Sacramento to help BEACON. <p>Board Members Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None. <p>Public Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None.

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Item	5D	BEACON Science Advisory Committee (SAC) Membership Recommended Actions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Confirm the re-appointment of the current Co-Chairs and the Members of the Science Advisory Committee (SAC); and ii. Adopt an amendment to the SAC Bylaws adding one additional discipline to the SAC representing Social and Environmental Justice (2/3rds majority vote required).
Minutes/ Actions:		<p>Executive Director Beyeler reminded the Board that two years ago we formed the Science Advisory Committee (SAC) made up of the best scientists in California. All members of the SAC have agreed to be re-appointed including Chair and Vice Chair. The action also includes a recommendation to approve an amendment to the SAC Bylaws to add an additional focus discipline, which is Social and Environmental Justice. Marc also explained that SAC members are allowed to be part of consultant teams submitting proposals for BEACON work.</p> <p>Board Members Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director Richards noted that there are 12 disciplines in the SAC Bylaws, and we also have 12 SAC members. Is this just a coincidence? • Executive Director Beyeler responded that it was a coincidence and that there would in fact be adding one more SAC member. <p>Public Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p>The Board approved unanimously the Recommended Actions. Motion by Richards / Second by LaVere.</p>

Item	5E	BEACON Board Meeting Calendar for 2023 Recommended Actions: Review and adopt the Board Meeting Calendar for 2023.
Minutes/ Actions:		<p>Executive Director Beyeler explained that at the end of each year the board adopts the upcoming year Board Meeting calendar for the 3rd Friday of every other month. In 2023, the intent is to align the Executive Committee Meetings with the Board Meetings, so the Executive Committee meetings starts at 8 AM and the Board meeting at 9 AM, as was done today. Attached is the proposed Board Meeting Calendar for 2023. Meetings will be in person or virtual or both – this is still to be determined. Marc Beyeler asked the Board if the proposed calendar represented any conflicts for Board Members.</p> <p>Board Members Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director Friedman indicated that the September 2023 Board meeting date should be September 15, 2023. <p>Public Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p>With the correction of the September 2023 Board Meeting date, the Board approved unanimously the Recommended Actions. Motion by Friedman / Second by Schroeder.</p>

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TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: TELECONFERENCE

Item	5G	<p>BEACON Contracts and Agreements</p> <p>Recommended Actions:</p> <p>Approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute an Agreement with Environmental Science Associates (ESA), similar to the attached, to assist BEACON in developing a Regional Coastal Adaptation Monitoring Program (RCAMP) in an amount not to exceed two-hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) with a period of performance from the approval date of both parties to December 31, 2025, upon review and approval by legal counsel and auditor-controller.</p>
Minutes/ Actions:		<p>Executive Director Beyeler explained that the Regional Coastal Adaptation Monitoring Program (RCAMP) has been presented to the Board previously. The City of Santa Barbara took the initiative to secure grant funding and was successful. In July 2022, the Board approved a Cooperative Agreement with the City of Santa Barbara to undertake the RCAMP. The RCAMP is an important project in that it will help fill monitoring data gaps that in turn will guide triggers for adaptation actions. Under the Agreement, BEACON will manage technical consultant services and stakeholder input, as part of the development of the regional monitoring protocols and data collection. Staff prepared and released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the consultant services and in October after consultant interviews, the selection panel selected Environmental Science Associates (ESA). ESA represents a state-of-the-art consultant firm with state-of-the-art capabilities and a firm that is very experienced with the BEACON coast</p> <p>The ESA scope will be implemented in phases. The first phase will develop the regional adaptation monitoring plan and secure approval/consensus. This phase will include public workshops. The second phase will implement the pilot monitoring projects identified in the approved plan.</p> <p>Board Members Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director Richards indicated that ground water intrusion from ocean salt water is a very important issue. The City of Goleta does not control its water supply (run by the Goleta Water District), but it is imperative that waters districts are included in discussions. • Executive Director Beyeler responded that water districts will be invited to the public workshops that will be scheduled during the Phase 1 of the ESA effort in 2023. <p>Public Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p>The Board approved unanimously the Recommended Actions. Motion by Friedman / Second by Lopez.</p>

BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Monday, November 7, 2022

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: TELECONFERENCE

Item	6	Executive Director's Report and Communications
Minutes/ Actions:		<p>The Executive Director reported on the following activities:</p> <p>A. Election of Officers This item was discussed on the agenda today and will be addressed at the January 2023 Board Meeting.</p> <p>B. Grants and Contracts Updates 2023 will see extensive additional State funding becoming available for BEACON. We are trying to prepare ourselves to be ready to tee things off. However, we do need additional administrative help. We have a half time administrative position ready to go out to the street.</p> <p>C. Project Updates Mondo Beach Access secured \$1M in construction funding though Ventura County. BEACON led the project through the design phase, and this is an important funding milestone. Whether BEACON will be involved during the construction phase remains uncertain.</p> <p>D. Regional RSM-SLR Adaptation Planning BEACON has been recognized by the USACOE for its leadership in Regional Sediment Management (RSM), SLR and adaptation planning.</p> <p>Board Members Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Director LaVere thanked Chair Hart for his outstanding leadership.• Director Richards also thanked Chair Hart for great leadership. Director Richards also stated that the loss of Carmen broke his heart but the best way to honor her is to continue to push the BEACON agenda.• Director Friedman thanked Chair Hart for his role as his mentor. Gregg's knowledge is extensive and important. The Coastal Commission is looking to BEACON as an example and Carmen was instrumental in BEACON's progress.• Director Williams stated that Chair Hart's focus and commitment has been extraordinary, and he has been an excellent leader. We will continue to miss Carmen, but she would have been thrilled to have Vianey take her position.• Chair Hart thanked everyone for their kind words and stated that BEACON has evolved incredibly in recent years. He wished to recognize the Board, Brian Brennan for all his years of commitment, and to Executive Director Beyeler, the SAC, and the rest of staff, and for the collective momentum that has been created as BEACON leads into the future.

**Adjourn to next regular meeting January 20, 2023, 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: January 20, 2023

Agenda Item: 1E

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

Subject: Election of Officers

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair to serve a two-year term for calendar years 2023 and 2024.

DISCUSSION:

The BEACON Bylaws specify that the Election of Officers, Chair and Vice-Chair, shall be held every other calendar year, elected by a majority vote of a quorum present at the first meeting of a calendar year.

In 2020 the BEACON Board approved a change in the Bylaws to allow for a term of two years. The last election of Officers was held in January 2021. The two-year terms of the current Chair and Vice-Chair are now up.

The current Chair is Santa Barbara County Second District Supervisor Laura Capps (filling the appointment of Supervisor Gregg Hart). The current Vice-Chair is Ventura County Fifth District Supervisor Vianey Lopez (filling the appointment of Supervisor Carmen Ramirez). Traditionally, the Chair and Vice—Chair have alternated between representatives from Ventura and Santa Barbara counties member agencies. In addition, it has been a tradition that the Vice-Chair becomes the Chair at the election of officers.

Attachment:

Excerpt from BEACON by-laws-Election of Officers.

EXCERPT FROM BEACON BYLAWS

Shall be as provided in the Joint Powers Agreement, as amended.

Section 2: Ex-Officio Membership

Ex-officio members shall be as determined by the Board of Directors and shall participate in BEACON, but will not have voting rights and shall be designated by a majority vote of a quorum present of the Board of Directors.

Section 3: Officers

- A. Election of Officers shall be held every other calendar year, or upon resignation of an officer.
- B. There shall be a Chair and Vice Chair.
- C. All Officers shall be elected for a term of two years and shall serve until their successors are elected. Officers shall begin their term of office immediately following election.
- D. Officers shall be nominated from the floor of the Board of Directors and elected by a majority vote of a quorum present at the first meeting of a calendar year.

ARTICLE IV STANDING COMMITTEES, AND AD HOC COMMITTEES

- A. The Chair shall have the authority to appoint committees or subcommittees, with confirmation of the appointments made by the Board of Directors.
- B. Standing committees may be appointed to carry out general and continuing functions and may be abolished only upon specific action of the Board of the Directors.
- C. Ad hoc committees may be appointed as the need arises to carry out specific tasks. Upon completion of its assignment, each ad hoc committee shall be disbanded.
- D. Standing or ad hoc committee voting members must be designated representatives. Each member shall be entitled to one vote. Ex- officio members may serve on standing or ad hoc committees but may not vote.
- E. Standing or ad hoc committee members may elect officers by a majority vote.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section 1: Quorum



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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 20, 2023

Agenda Item: 1F

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

Subject: Appointment of BEACON Executive Committee (2023-2024)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Confirm the following Chair's appointments to the BEACON Executive Committee for calendar years 2023 and 2024: the Past Chair, the Current Chair, the Current Vice Chair, one member from the Ventura County area member agencies, and one member from the Santa Barbara County area member agencies.

DISCUSSION:

According to the Executive Committee Bylaws, The Executive Committee shall consist of a minimum of 3 members and up to a maximum of 5 members from the BEACON Board of Directors which are designated as follows:

- The Past Chair;
- The Current Chair;
- The Current Vice Chair;
- One member from the Ventura County area member agencies; and
- One member from the Santa Barbara County area member agencies.

On February 21, 202, the BEACON Board confirmed the initial appointments to the newly formed BEACON Executive Committee for a term of 2 years (Attachment 1). The current terms of the remaining members of the Executive Committee will expire shortly. Several changes to the BEACON Board membership have occurred in the past three months and a new Executive Committee membership is needed. Staff is recommending the BEACON Board confirm the appointments to the Executive Committee for a term of 2 years from January 2023 to January 2024.

Attachment 1: Executive Committee Bylaws (Adopted by the BEACON Board of Directors, 2-21-2022).

Attachment 2 – Executive Committee 2021-2023



BYLAWS FOR BEACON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Adopted by the BEACON Board of Directors February 12, 2021)

1.0 FUNCTION

The Executive Committee is a standing advisory committee that provides advice and recommendations to the policy making Board of Directors of the Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON) as follows:

- An annual evaluation of BEACON'S goals, structure, and performance, directed toward continually improving the planning, coordination, and implementation process (BEACON Bylaws Art. VI, § 1.C);
- As needed, review legislative priorities and any legislative proposals (BEACON Bylaws Art. IV, § B); and
- An annual review of the performance of BEACON'S Executive Director (BEACON Bylaws Art. IV, § B, Art. VI, § 1.C).

2.0 REPRESENTATION & TERM

The Executive Committee shall consist of a minimum of 3 members and up to a maximum of 5 members from the BEACON Board of Directors which are designated as follows:

- The Past Chair;
- The Current Chair;
- The Current Vice Chair;
- One member from the Ventura County area member agencies; and
- One member from the Santa Barbara County area member agencies.

If there is a vacancy, duplicative member, or a member declines participation from the above positions (e.g. retirements, or other reasons), the Chair, at his or her discretion, may immediately appoint a member of the BEACON Board of Directors to serve on the Executive Committee. Thereafter, the newly appointed member(s) will be brought before the BEACON Board of Directors at the next regularly scheduled meeting for confirmation in accordance with BEACON Bylaws Article VI, Section A. Alternatively, the Chair may bring the matter before the Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Each Executive Committee member shall serve for a two-year term, or if applicable, at the will and pleasure of their appointing authority. Executive Committee members may re-appointed to additional terms without limitation.

BEACON consultant staff shall provide support for Executive Committee including scheduling of meeting locations, preparing and distributing agendas and meeting materials, and taking meeting minutes.

3.0 VOTING

Each voting member shall be entitled to one vote. (Bylaws, Art. IV § D.) Only voting members who are present at the meeting may make a motion, second a motion, or vote upon a motion under consideration by Executive Committee. A motion shall pass if approved by a simple majority of the members present at the meeting unless otherwise required.

BEACON Executive or consultant staff may present recommended Board actions to the Executive Committee to receive the committee's professional advice and input. The Executive Committee may recommend approval of BEACON Executive or consultant staff recommendations or may formulate and approve its own recommendations and shall not be bound by those presented by BEACON Executive or consultant staff. BEACON Executive or consultant staff shall report to the BEACON Board of Directors on recommendations approved by Executive Committee.

4.0 QUORUM

A quorum shall be two-thirds of the committee members (e.g. 2 of 3, or 3 of 5 members). A quorum shall be required for the conduct of any business of the Executive Committee. (Bylaws, Art. V, § 1.) No business shall be conducted by a committee without a quorum. (Bylaws, Art. V, § 1.)

5.0 OFFICERS

Officers of the Executive Committee shall include a Chair and Vice Chair. The Current Chair and current Vice Chair of the BEACON Board shall serve as the Chair and Vice Chair of the Executive Committee. The Vice Chair shall serve as the Chair, pro tempore, when the Chair is absent.

6.0 REPRESENTATION AT BEACON BOARD MEETINGS

Either the Chair or Vice Chair may represent the Executive Committee before the BEACON Board of Directors as may be needed to facilitate Board discussion on issues germane to the Executive Committee's advisory role.

7.0 MEETINGS

Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held at least twice annually: May and December. The Chair may call additional meetings of the Executive Committee at his or her discretion as may be necessary. At the discretion of the Chair, meetings may be rescheduled or cancelled.

Meetings shall be conducted in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act as amended (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.)

8.0 BYLAW ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS

A two-thirds majority of the BEACON Board of Directors shall be required to adopt these bylaws and any amendments to these bylaws. SAC may recommend bylaw amendments to the BEACON Board of Directors.



BEACON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Adopted by the BEACON Board of Directors February 12, 2021)

Membership Roster

Director Gregg Hart
Santa Barbara County Supervisor

Director Carmen Ramirez
Ventura County Supervisor

Director Eric Friedman
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Meeting Date: January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 2

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 20, 2023

Subject: Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive Public Comments.



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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 3

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

Subject: Presentations -
Presentation on Sea Level Rise Adaptation by a representative of
the California Department of Parks and Recreation

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive a report on SLR Adaptation from the California Department of Parks and Recreation.



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Meeting Date: January 20, 2023

Agenda Item: 4

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Gerald Comati, BEACON Program Manager
Marc Beyeler, BEACON Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

Subject: Projects

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- i. Receive and file a Staff Report on the status of the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project.
- ii. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to approve a new five-year Lease from the California State Lands Commission for the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project in order to allow a scientific review and assessment of the kelp anchor area to determine efficacy of the project on marine life.

DISCUSSION:

In 2013 and 2014 BEACON secured permitting as the lead agency in delivering an innovative project to demonstrate a method to re-establish kelp in Goleta Bay. The method was developed by Mr. Bob Kiel of the Seattle Aquarium. The system creates a hard structure "hold-down" within the sand seabed for kelp spores to attach and kelp plants to grow. Between 2015 and 2016, the project was installed, and the system has shown great success in establishing new kelp growth. In 2017 BEACON secured an extension to the State Lands Commission Lease for the project for an additional five years. In 2018, modified versions of the granite anchors were installed which proved even more successful in sustaining kelp growth.

The 2017 extension expired at the end of 2022 and BEACON staff have communicated with the State Lands Commission that it will seek a new lease for an additional five-years. The new lease will allow the project team, through use of funding from the Refugio Oil Spill Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan (DARP), to perform a scientific review and assessment of the project area and provide documentation of the marine environment both within the project area and outside of it.

Attached is a Resolution for adoption by the Board authorizing the Executive Director to approve the new State Lands Commission lease.

**BEACH EROSION AUTHORITY
FOR CLEAN OCEANS AND NOURISHMENT (BEACON)
VENTURA AND SANTA BARBARA COUNTIES, CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of Approval of the California State
Lands Commission Lease for the Kelp Anchor
Demonstration Project

Resolution 2023-01

WHEREAS, in December 2013, The California State Lands Commission approved a lease to BEACON for purposes of implementing the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project; and,

WHEREAS, in September 2017, The California State Lands Commission approved a lease renewal to BEACON for purposes of continuing the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project; and,

WHEREAS, as of 2018 the Kelp Anchors have been installed and monitoring efforts have been underway; and,

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2022, the California State Lands Commission lease renewal expired; and,

WHEREAS, BEACON desires to secure a new California State Lands Commission lease to allow a scientific assessment to demonstrate the success of the Kelp Anchor Demonstration Project.

THEREFORE, NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON) authorizes the Executive Director to execute a new California State Lands Commission lease on behalf of BEACON.

Resolved by the Board of Directors of BEACON, this 20th day of January 2023.

Attest:

Marc Beyeler
Executive Director

BEACON Chair

Approve as to Form:

Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel

Susan McKenzie
Senior Deputy County Counsel
Counsel for BEACON



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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date:
January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 5A

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

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: January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 5B

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 12, 2023

Subject: Contracts and Agreements

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Amendment No. 1 to the contract with Moss, Levy, & Hartzheim to provide financial audit services without a change in an amount not to exceed \$9,750 and which extends the period of performance three months for a revised term of July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023 (Attachment 1).

DISCUSSION:

Every other year, BEACON pays for a financial audit of the previous two years of financial operations. At the May 2022 Meeting, the Board approved a contract for a financial audit with a period of performance through December 31, 2022. The proposed amendment would extend this period through March 30, 2023 or another three months. (Attachment 1). Staff strongly supports the short extension of this contract to allow the staff of the Auditor Controller's office time to complete the required due diligence.

Amendment No. 1
Between
Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment
And
Moss, Levy & Hartzheim, LLC

The contract beginning July 1, 2022, entered into, by and between the Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON), a joint powers authority, herein called "BEACON", and Moss, Levy & Hartzheim, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, herein called "Contractor" (referred to collectively as "parties", or individually as "party") is hereby amended ("Amendment No. 1") by mutual agreement of the parties as follows:

Section 1 "Services to be Performed by Contractor" is deleted and replaced in its entirety with:

In consideration of the payments hereinafter set forth, Contractor will perform services for BEACON in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications set forth herein. The Contractor will perform a biennial audit, in accordance with the most current revision of the Yellow Book: Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS), of the financial statements of BEACON for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2021 and 2022. The Contractor shall complete its audit and file its report on or before March 31, 2023.

Section 5 "Term" is deleted and replaced in its entirety with:

This contract will be in effect from July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023, subject to all terms and conditions set forth herein, unless terminated prior to that date in accordance with the provisions of this contract.

These amendments are made in compliance with Section 14 "Addenda" of the above referenced contract. This amendment is hereby made a part of the Biennial Financial Auditing Services Contract FY 2021-2022.

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 contract. 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.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment No. 1 to the Biennial Financial Auditing Contract FY 2021-2022 on the day and year below written, but effective as of the day and year first set forth above.

Moss, Levy & Hartzheim, LLP**BEACON**

By: _____
Craig A. Hartzheim
Managing Partner
Date: _____

By: _____
Chair, BEACON
Date: _____

Approved as to Form:

Rachel Van Mullem
County Counsel

Attest:

By: _____
Susan L. McKenzie
Deputy County Counsel
BEACON Counsel

By: _____
Marc Beyeler
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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 20, 2023
Agenda Item: 6

To: BEACON Board of Directors
From: Executive Director
Date: January 13, 2023

Subject: Executive Director's Report and Communications

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. Regional Sediment Management (RSM) and Sea Level Rise (SLR) Adaptation Planning
- B. Project Updates
- C. Grants and Contracts Updates
- D. Regional Headwaters to Oceans Conference Fall 2023 (Ventura-Beacon Co-Organizer)