

PORT OF LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
EIR/AESTHETIC MITIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE

Port of Los Angeles  
425 S. Palos Verdes Street  
San Pedro, California

Minutes  
April 24, 2008

ATTENDEES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS/PCAC

Dr. John Miller, Chair  
Skip Baldwin, Alternate Member  
Janet Gunter, Alternate Member  
Arthur Hernandez, Alternate Member  
Jody James, Alternate Member  
Lucy Mejia, Voting Member

PORT STAFF

Lena Maun-DeSantis  
Teresa Scognamillo

PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS

Betsy Cheek  
Gwen Butterfield  
Sharon Rubalcava  
Nestor Taura, PAAP

LOCATION OF MEETING: POLA Charter High School, 250 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St., San Pedro, CA

- A. Call to Order: 4:05PM
- B. Sign In / Introductions
- C. Agenda Approved
- D. POLA Staff Status/Updates:
1. Update on EIR Schedule  
Lena Maun DeSantis, from the POLA Environmental Management Division, facilitated a discussion on various issues and mitigation measures for the following environmental documents:
    - China Shipping Re-circulated Draft EIR to be released in early May, with a 60 day comment period/June 5, 2008, Public Scoping Meeting
    - SEIS/SEIR for Pacific LA Marine Terminal LLC Project on Pier 400 (Plains All American Pipeline, LLC) to be released later in May, with a 60 day comment period.The committee will be notified when the documents are released.
  2. Follow-up on Previous Mitigation Monitoring Programs  
The overall concern was that previous EIR's outline a set of mitigations and a mitigation monitoring program, for which the community has never seen any documentation. Ms. Maun DeSantis stated that the vast majority of the mitigation measures were required and monitored through the tenant lease. The lease specifies the compliance to mitigation measures. During the course

of the construction phase, the contractor is also responsible for various mitigation measures specified within their contract.

The committee asked if this monitoring information would be made public. Ms. Maun DeSantis stated that there would likely be, at a minimum, an annual status report to the Board. However, at this point there was nothing definitive.

3. EIR “Template”

The Template language has been incorporated into the Environmental Documents. The vast majority of the template issues can be found in Chapter Two and in the PCAC Appendix. Template issues will also be discussed in the Summary Guideline.

Following the China Shipping Re-circulated Draft EIR, and the Plains All American Pipeline SEIS/SEIR, Port staff will be working to develop a document that will be a bit more user friendly.

E. Minutes Approved for March 27, 2008 EIR Subcommittee Meeting

F. Public Comment: None

G. POLA Staff Report:

1. China Shipping Settlement Mitigation Projects

Teresa Scognamillo is preparing a Board letter for the May BHC meeting to approve the Alameda Beautification Project. Otherwise, she is still working on the agreements with the Banning’s Museum, and the YMCA.

2. Follow-up with Wharfingers Division of the Port

When a ship is berthed and connected to the amp, the POLA Construction and Maintenance staff are present, as well as the ship’s Engineer, who provides a log/activity sheet to the Port that records the meter readings. In addition, the Port receives the DWP billing records for each terminal. The Wharfinger staff takes meter readings at the beginning and at the end of each month, and keeps a detailed table for each month of ship calls/start and end times for all the amped ships.

H. Discussion:

1. Subcommittee Comments on Wilmington Waterfront Development NOP

Comments were distributed to the PCAC. The concern was that in Phase 2, if the tanks weren’t removed, then that portion of the project wouldn’t come to fruition.

Comments on the NOP will be taken and put into the Draft EIR, which will be much more detailed. The goal is to get the Draft EIR out in the summer 2008.

2. East Wilmington Open Space Proposal

Skip Baldwin reported that at the April 15<sup>th</sup> PCAC meeting, the PCAC asked him to consider a substitute motion. He responded that he would have to go back to the Committee to discuss it with them. After doing so, it was their opinion that the substitute motion would simply put them in the last position to possibility get money sometime from somewhere. To do something like this they would have to have a contact to start out with. Mr. Baldwin distributed a copy of a substitute motion that he prepared.

✚ The motion as first presented to PCAC, April 15, 2008:

Whereas, this project was the highest ranked project when the Wilmington Aesthetic Mitigation Committee initially met on June 28, 2007 to evaluate and prioritize the Wilmington Aesthetic Mitigation Proposals, and;

Whereas, all of the voting members of the Aesthetic Mitigation Committee were from Wilmington.

Be It Resolved, That the EIR/Aesthetic Mitigation Subcommittee moves that the PCAC recommend to the Board of Harbor Commissioners that the “East Wilmington Open Space, a Park” be considered a priority project in order to honor the true spirit and intent of the China Shipping Aesthetic Mitigation Settlement.

✚ Substitute motion: Proposed by Skip Baldwin/Wilmington Citizens Committee:

Whereas, this project was the highest ranked project when the Wilmington Aesthetic Mitigation Committee initially met on June 28, 2007 to evaluate and prioritize the Wilmington Aesthetic Mitigation Proposals, and;

Whereas, all of the members of the Committee that voted were from Wilmington.

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the EIR/Aesthetic Mitigation Subcommittee recommends to the PCAC that the PCAC recommend to the Board of Harbor Commissioners that the “East Wilmington Open Space, a Park” Project be re-established as the highest ranked priority project as voted in the EIR/Aesthetic Mitigation Subcommittee meeting of June 28, 2007, in order to honor the true spirit and intent of the China Shipping Aesthetic Mitigation Settlement.

I. Old Business

Mr. Baldwin commented on the use of emission credits to help build power plants that the community didn’t want. Ms. Maun DeSantis explained that the South Coast Air Quality Management District credit system was designed to help

manage national and state ambient air quality standards. Dr. Miller referred Mr. Baldwin to the Air Quality Subcommittee with this issue.

- J. Non Agenda Items:
- Dr. Miller suggested a Cap and Trade Program to help reduce emissions outside the Port (i.e. The Port provide the community with low emission school buses).
  - Mr. Baldwin commented on criticism given at the April 15<sup>th</sup> PCAC meeting with regard to a specific quorum in Subcommittees to pass motions. (Dr. Miller stated that this was an issue that needed clarity within PCAC. It was still unclear as to how this would be applied to PCAC and/or the Subcommittees.)
- K. Agenda Items for Next Meeting –Thursday, May 22, 2008
- China Shipping EIR
- L. Adjournment: 6:00PM

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Dr. John Miller, Chair  
EIR/Aesthetic Mitigation Subcommittee

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Debra Babcock-Doherty  
PCAC Executive Assistant