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PORT MOVES AHEAD WITH PLANS FOR WATERFRONT ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS IN SAN PEDRO



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SAN PEDRO, Calif. – The Port is moving forward with a slate of waterfront enhancements on Port property in San Pedro, and a June 2006 workshop is being planned for community input on the design of certain project elements. This project is separate from the San Pedro Waterfront Master Development Plan, a proposed long-term waterfront redevelopment plan with several project alternatives.

The Design Workshop will solicit community input on: landscaping, such as types of trees and ground coverage; configuration of the parking and open areas at 22nd Street Landing; access path/pedestrian ramp between Bloch Field and Ports O' Call Village; and signage design/inclusion.

"We feel we've come up with a solid plan for keeping the momentum and excitement for the transformation of the Port's waterfront on track," said Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D., executive director at the Port of Los Angeles. "This slate of enhancements will address the Port's and community's desire to continue beautification efforts on Port property in a timely manner without prejudicing future waterfront plans."

A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Waterfront Enhancements was issued in mid-2005 for public comment. More than 400 comments were submitted, and based on those comments a Revised Mitigated Negative Declaration is being released. This document, titled "Errata, Comments, and Response to Comments to the Mitigated Negative Declaration," will be posted to the Port's website, www.portoflosangeles.org, by end of day on Monday, April 10. The Board of Harbor Commissioner will consider the adoption of the Revised MND at its meeting on April 20.

Time and place of the June 17 community Design Workshop will be determined in the near future. For more information check the Port's website at www.portoflosangeles.org or call (310) 732-3675.

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