

## CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION UNANIMOUSLY VOTES TO APPROVE THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES CHANNEL DEEPENING PROJECT

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(SAN PEDRO, CA) – At its regular meeting today in Santa Rosa, the California Coastal Commission unanimously voted (9-0) to approve the application by the Port of Los Angeles for its Channel Deepening Project. Specifically approved by today’s vote:

1. Port Master Plan Amendment No. 21 – Amends the master plan to include dredge depth of –53 feet and dredge material disposal areas from the federal channel deepening project.
2. Coastal Consistency Determination – Determination that the federal channel deepening project is consistent with the California Coastal Act.

“The decision of the California Coastal Commission will allow for larger, more fuel efficient ships to enter the harbor, thereby improving air quality and reducing vessel calls at the Port,” commented Harbor Commission President Nick Tonsich. “The Port of Los Angeles will not stop here. The Port will continue to be relentless in its efforts to identify and implement additional mitigation measures to ensure that the quality of life for the residents of Wilmington and San Pedro is of the highest standard.”