

CENTRAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PCAC REPORT

June 10, 2008

Port Community Advisory Committee:

The following Action Items were passed at the May 20 PCAC meeting:

1. **Port Staff Attendance at SP Coordinated Plan Subcommittee Meetings:** PCAC recommend to the Board of Harbor Commissioners that Port staff representatives attend the San Pedro Coordinated Plan Subcommittee and all other PCAC Subcommittee meetings to address and discuss agenda items.
2. **Ports O' Call Enhancements:** PCAC recommends that the Board of Harbor Commissioners direct Port staff to implement the original Ports O' Call enhancement project.
3. **PCAC By-laws:** Changes in by-laws defining a quorum as 50% of the voting members, and changes in voting procedures to be a majority vote of members present, the Chair is to abstain from voting except to break a tie, alternates may not vote when the designated voting member is present, no proxy votes are to be allowed, and conflict of interest prohibiting affected member from discussing or voting the issue in question.

The vote on the East Wilmington Open Space Project has been postponed for the time being.

A presentation was given on the Port's San Pedro Waterfront plan.

Next week's PCAC meeting will be held Tuesday, June 17 at the Crown Plaza/LA Harbor Hotel.

As of this writing there will be two **Action Items** to be voted on:

1. **Support for SB1646 Extending SCAQMD \$1 Vehicle Registration Air Pollution Fee:** The Air Quality Subcommittee moves to support the EIR/Aesthetic Mitigation Subcommittee letter, endorsing the South Coast Air Quality Management District's recommendation for Senate Bill 1646.
2. **San Pedro Waterfront EIR/EIS Comment Period:** The Coordinated Plan Subcommittee recommends that the PCAC request the Board of Harbor Commissioners to authorize 90 days for comment from the day the San Pedro Waterfront EIR/EIS is submitted.

Environmental Impact Report News:

The re-circulated **Draft China Shipping EIR** (Berth 97-109) was released April 30. A Public Scoping meeting was held June 5th at Banning's Landing. Written comments may be submitted through June 30.



The **Draft Pacific LA Marine Terminal Project Supplemental EIS/Subsequent EIR (SEIS/SEIR)** was released May 29. This is the Plains All American project for a supertanker facility at Pier 400. It will be a five acre terminal with two 250,000 storage tanks nearby. A two mile pipeline will lead to a tank farm with 14 more storage tanks. When completed the project would have 201 tanker calls per year with an average of 677,000 barrels per day. A Public Scoping meeting will be held June 26, 6:00 p.m. at the POLA Headquarters in San Pedro. Written comments may be submitted through July 29.



Meanwhile in Long Beach, a **Draft Middle Harbor Redevelopment Project EIR/EIS** was released May 19. This is for a massive reconfiguration of the Pier D, E and F container terminals into one contiguous area. Two Public Hearings are being held: June 11, 6:30 p.m. at the Long Beach City Council, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, and June 18, 6:30 p.m. at Silverado Park, 1545 W. 31st Street, in West Long Beach. Written comments may be submitted through July 11.



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New Technologies:

Electric Truck: the POLA and South Coast Air Quality Management District unveiled the first Heavy Duty Electric Truck on May 16. The locally manufactured vehicle will be in operation at the POLA.



Ship Emissions: Cal State Long Beach professor Dr. Hamid Rahai gave an overview of available and near-term ship emissions technologies at the California Air Resources Board Chair's Air Pollution Seminar Series in Sacramento. The June 9 seminar video and presentation are available on-line at the CARB website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/seminars/seminars.htm>

Observations:

- Technologies such as particulate traps, oxidation catalysts, and exhaust gas recirculation (EGR) are not applicable for large heavy fuel operated diesel engines.
- Trap and catalyst are very sensitive to deactivation and EGR results in corrosion and contamination risks due to sulfur and ash in fuel.
- For NOx reduction, SCR system is the most effective, but the costliest. The most balanced system is fumigation, followed by direct water injection.
- Due to the current cost of fuel switching, the most cost effective technology for reducing SOx and PM emissions is seawater scrubbing.

The **San Pedro Bay Port Technology Conference** was held May 28 at the Doubletree Hotel in San Pedro. The conference was a huge success with a packed house of over 200 people. Attendees heard presentations on a variety of the latest available port related technology advancements as well as opportunities for new business enterprise development.

Upcoming Events:

PCAC San Pedro Waterfront Coordinated Plan – Wednesday, June 11, 5:15 p.m., POLA High School.

POLB Middle Harbor Redevelopment/Piers D, E & F Draft EIR Public Hearing – Wednesday June 11, 6:30 p.m., Long Beach City Council, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach.

Port Community Advisory Committee Meeting - Tuesday June 17, Crowne Plaza/LA Harbor Hotel, 5:30 p.m. San Pedro.

POLB Middle Harbor Redevelopment/Piers D, E & F Draft EIR Public Hearing – Wednesday June 18, 6:30 p.m., Silverado Park, 1545 W. 31st Street, West Long Beach.

Port Commission Meeting – Thursday, June 19, 6:00 p.m., Bannings Landing, Wilmington.

Pacific LA Marine Terminal/Pier 400 Draft SEIR Public Scoping meeting – Thursday June 26, 6:00 p.m. POLA Headquarters, San Pedro.

PCAC Air Quality Subcommittee Meeting – Wednesday, July 2, 4:30 p.m., POLA High School.

Port Commission Meeting – WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 6:00 p.m., POLA Headquarters, San Pedro.

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