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**CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 15, 2008**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Dana Point, California, was called to order by Mayor Bishop at 5:00 p.m. in the Dana Point City Council Chamber, 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point. City Clerk Ward announced that the meeting was adjourned to 6:00 p.m. due to a lack of quorum.

**CLOSED SESSION**

There were no Closed Session items.

**RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Dana Point, California, was called to order by Mayor Bishop at 6:00 p.m. at the Dana Point City Council Chamber, 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point.

**ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Present:       Joel Bishop, Mayor  
                  Lisa A. Bartlett, Mayor Pro Tem  
                  Lara Anderson, Council Member  
                  Diane L. Harkey, Council Member  
                  Steven H. Weinberg, Council Member

STAFF PRESENT: Douglas Chotkevys, City Manager; Patrick Muñoz, City Attorney; Kathy Ward, City Clerk; Michael Killebrew, Administrative Services Director; Kyle Butterwick, Director of Community Development; Brad Fowler, Director of Public Works/City Engineer; Matthew Sinacori, City Engineer; Lt. Mark Levy, Chief of Police; Christy Teague, Economic Development Manager; Lynn Kelly, Management Analyst; Mike Rose, Emergency & Support Services Manager; Kevin Evans, Director of Community Services & Parks; Erica Williams, Senior Planner; Bobbi Ogan, Deputy City Clerk, Windy Robles, City Clerk Specialist; DyAnne Weamire, and Jackie Littler, Executive Secretary.

**CLOSED SESSION**

There were no Closed Session items.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lt. Mark Levy

**INVOCATION**

The Invocation was provided by Pastor David Mattson of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.

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**PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

Business of the Year – Revo Bicycles and Espresso Bar

Management Analyst Kelly provided a PowerPoint presentation. She stated that Revo has been open in Dana Point for the past six (6) years and that on July 28, 2007 they moved into their new building across the street. Revo employs five (5) full-time and three (3) part-time people. The espresso bar serves traditional drinks such as espresso, coffee, and hot chocolate as well as specialty drinks geared for cyclists and other athletes. Revo carries everything from beach cruisers to high-end bicycles. They host weekly bike rides and are a major sponsor of the Dana Point Grand Prix. Mayor Bishop presented a Certificate of Recognition to Darrin Duhamel for being named the Business of the Year for 2007.

Introduction of Nichole Chambers, Dana Point Chamber of Commerce

Mayor Bishop introduced Ms. Chambers and asked her to provide a summary of her plans for the Chamber of Commerce.

Nichole Chambers stated that she had four (4) goals for the Chamber this year:

1. Creating a strong local economy;
2. Promoting the community;
3. Create networking opportunity for the Chamber members; and
4. Be a business advocate for the businesses in Dana Point.

Recognition of January as National Blood Donor Month

Mayor Bishop presented a Certificate of Recognition to Jessie Valesquez recognizing January as National Blood Donor Month. Ms. Valesquez announced that the City of Dana Point helped collect 47 pints of blood in 2007 and that City Hall was sponsoring a blood drive on Thursday, February 21, 2008 to be held here in the Council Chamber.

Relay for Life Presentation

Mayor Pro Tem stated that she was named 2008 Honorary Board Co-Chair for the Relay For Life. She asked Heidi Langefeld who is the Event Co-Chair to provide information about the event and kick-off meeting. Ms. Langefeld reported that the Relay For Life of Dana Point will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. She explained that the reason the relay is held for a 24-hour period is to signify that cancer never sleeps. She added that the 2008 goal for the relay this year was to have the participation of at least twenty (20) teams, 50 cancer survivors, and 15 board members, and to raise \$45,000 in income. She stated that on January 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Ocean Institute there would be a kick off meeting and that everyone who was interested in the event was invited.

Rachel Alonzo, Event Co-Chair, stated that she was a kidney, cancer survivor of six (6) years and she was honored to be a chairperson for the event. She added that everyone is touched by cancer in some way and she thanked Dana Point for their support.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR**

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ANDERSON, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM BARTLETT, THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS BE ACCEPTED FOR THE BALANCE OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Harkey, Weinberg, Mayor Pro Tem Bartlett and Mayor Bishop  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

**1. WAIVE THE READING OF ORDINANCES AND APPROVE READING BY TITLE ONLY**

APPROVED THE READING BY TITLE ONLY OF ALL ORDINANCES ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR AND THAT FURTHER READING OF SUCH ORDINANCES BE WAIVED.

**2. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, DECEMBER 4, 2007**

APPROVED THE MINUTES.

**3. PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES, NOVEMBER 27, 2007**

RECEIVED AND FILED.

**4. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS, MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2008**

RECEIVED AND FILED.

**5. YOUTH BOARD MEETING MINUTES, NOVEMBER 15, 2007**

RECEIVED AND FILED.

**6. MEETING CALENDAR / COMMUNITY SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR**

RECEIVED AND FILED.

**7. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT, NOVEMBER 2007**

RECEIVED AND FILED THE CITY TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2007.

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**8. CLAIMS AND DEMANDS**

RECEIVED AND FILED THE CLAIMS AND DEMANDS.

**9. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY OF ORANGE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE NEWLY CREATED REGIONAL RECYCLING AND WASTE DIVERSION GRANT PROGRAM**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 08-01-15-01 ENTITLED:

*A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY OF ORANGE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE NEWLY CREATED REGIONAL RECYCLING AND WASTE DIVERSION GRANT PROGRAM.*

**10. HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGREEMENT (MILLS ACT) FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 33905 EL ENCANTO**

AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO SIGN A HISTORIC PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE PROPERTY OWNER, TOMAS A. PRIETTO, OF THE HISTORIC STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 33905 EL ENCANTO, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE'S MILLS ACT PROGRAM.

**11. HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGREEMENT (MILLS ACT) FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 33912 EL ENCANTO**

AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO SIGN A HISTORIC PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE PROPERTY OWNERS, JEAN GULUK AND PHILIP REICHELSDORF, OF THE HISTORIC STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 33912 EL ENCANTO, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE'S MILLS ACT PROGRAM.

**12. HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGREEMENT (MILLS ACT) FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 24231 LA CRESTA DRIVE**

AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO SIGN A HISTORIC PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE PROPERTY OWNERS, MARK KOFFORD AND JEANNINE WILLS-KOFFORD, OF THE HISTORIC STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 24231 LA CRESTA DRIVE, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE'S MILLS ACT PROGRAM.

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**13. HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGREEMENT (MILLS ACT) FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 33959 CHULA VISTA**

AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO SIGN A HISTORIC PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE PROPERTY OWNERS, KEITH AND BARBARA JOHANNES, OF THE HISTORIC STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 33959 CHULA VISTA, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE'S MILLS ACT PROGRAM.

**14. FY07 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

RECEIVED AND FILED THE FY07 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT.

**15. RENEWAL OF ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AGREEMENT**

APPROVED THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AGREEMENT – ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY.

**16. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO VALLEY CREST LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT, INCORPORATED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEA TERRACE PARK PROJECT AS PART OF THE GENERAL PARK REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

APPROVED THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS ENTITLED "SEA TERRACE PARK PROJECT AS PART OF THE GENERAL PARK REHABILITATION PROGRAM"; AWARDED A CONTRACT TO VALLEY CREST LANDSCAPE, INCORPORATED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEA TERRACE PARK PROJECT AS PART OF THE GENERAL PARK REHABILITATION PROGRAM INCLUDING BID SCHEDULES A, B-1, C-1 AND D-1, PROVIDED THAT THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE SIGNS AND ADMINISTERS SUBJECT CONTRACT AND MAY APPROVE ADDITIONAL PAYMENT NOT-TO-EXCEED FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THIS AMOUNT FOR CHANGE ORDERS AND CONTINGENCIES; AND AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES, SOILS AND MATERIAL TESTING, AND CONSTRUCTION DESIGN SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT AS NOTED IN THE FISCAL IMPACT SECTION.

**17. COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION FOR THE DANA POINT AND NIGUEL STATE MARINE CONSERVATION AREAS**

AUTHORIZED THE CITY MANAGER TO DIRECT STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT EFFORTS WITHIN THE NIGUEL AND DANA POINT STATE MARINE CONSERVATION AREAS; AND

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ADOPTED **RESOLUTION NO. 08-01-15-02** ENTITLED:

*A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, ELIMINATING THE POSITION TITLE OF PARKS COORDINATOR AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE POSITION TITLE, SALARY RANGE, AND CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION OFFICER; AND*

DESIGNATED THE NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION OFFICER AS THE CITY'S REPRESENTATIVE IN COLLABORATIVE MANAGEMENT EFFORTS WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FOR THE DANA POINT AND NIGUEL STATE MARINE CONSERVATION AREAS.

**18. COUNTY OF ORANGE CITY AID PROGRAM AGREEMENT FY08/09**

AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THREE (3) ORIGINAL AGREEMENTS AS REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COUNTY'S PROPOSITION 42 CITY AID PROGRAM (CAP).

**19. CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES AND CITY COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, SUBCOMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES**

APPROVED THE MAYOR'S RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE'S LIST FOR OUTSIDE AGENCIES AND THE CITY'S INTERNAL COMMITTEE, SUBCOMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES LIST.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ed Guy, San Juan Capistrano, thanked the City for allowing the Dana Point Lighthouse Society the opportunity to display their lighthouses in the Council Chamber foyer. He encouraged everyone to join the society.

Judy Rice, Laguna Hills/Hemet, spoke regarding the City of Huntington Beach and their agreement with Makar in regards to senior center funding.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were no Public Hearings.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no Unfinished Business items.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Bishop recused himself from Item 20 due to a possible conflict of interest and left the Council Chambers at 6:23 p.m.

**20. PRESENTATION BY TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR AGENCY (0150-83)**

David Lowe, Acting Chief Engineer for the Transportation Corridor Agency (TCA) provided a presentation which detailed the issues the TCA is currently trying to resolve with the alignment of the SR241. He stated that for more information on the project to go to [www.relievetraffic.org](http://www.relievetraffic.org). The presentation is attached as Exhibit 1.

Council Member Harkey asked if the \$100 M that the TCA was offering to California State Parks could be used any way the State Parks would like to.

*David Lowe replied that the TCA acknowledges that there will be some impacts to the State Park campground so this money is meant to help enhance the State Park however they decide.*

Council Member Harkey stated that this money would be a benefit to the State Park. She felt that the 14,000 new homes that have been approved in Mission Viejo will create more traffic than the I-5 will be able to handle and the toll road extension should relieve the traffic burden from the city streets.

Council Member Anderson asked where the \$100 M was coming from to offer to the State Parks.

*David Lowe replied that the duration of the bond indebtedness will have to be increased.*

Mayor Pro Tem Bartlett felt that with the 14,000 homes that are to be built in the Rancho Mission Viejo area that Antonio Parkway and Ortega Highway would not be able to handle the traffic and that the toll road extension would be necessary. She stated that the extension is also necessary from an emergency evacuation standpoint as the extension would have a huge, positive effect in the area.

Mayor Bishop returned to the Council Chambers at 6:41 p.m.

**21. REORGANIZATION – CITY CLERK’S OFFICE**

City Manager Chotkevys provided a staff report.

Mayor Bishop stated that he had asked for this item to be brought forward after review of the City’s organizational structure. He felt that with the City Clerk reporting to the City Council that it made the position more political and vulnerable. He added that it would make more sense for the position to report to the City Manager.

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Council Member Anderson stated that she concurred with the Mayor. She stated that she felt uncomfortable having the City Clerk report to the City Council since the City Clerk administers the elections when the Clerk technically work for the elected officials. She added that she would support the change.

Council Member Weinberg stated that he wanted to keep the City Clerk position from being a revolving door and that he supports the change. He added that the City Clerk does administer the elections and that puts the City Clerk in the middle. He felt that it would be better to let the City Manager hire and manage the staff.

Council Member Harkey acknowledged that the position of City Clerk had been a problem position in the past due to politics or the elected officials, not due to structure of chain of command. She stated that wholesale changes should cure a disease, not treat a symptom. She stated that the other beach cities have an elected or appointed City Clerk. She asserted that the City Clerk is not a clerical function but a political function, administering elections, reporting, and other technical and legal duties. She stated that the previous problems were due to previous Councils. The Clerk and the selection process was a huge issue in 2004 as there was not an open and transparent hiring process. She did not feel that this Council had a problem with hiring City Clerks.

She stated that Kathy Ward is the best City Clerk we have ever had and the Council chose her unanimously. The City Manager recommended her knowing she would be independent, she accepted the position knowing she would be independent, Council negotiated an employment contract, salary, benefits, etc. assuming she would be independent, and she has performed in an exemplary fashion under fire.

She also stated that under the current organization there was a separation of powers, as the City Clerk can obtain advice directly from an independent City Attorney and it created more transparency in government. If changed, we are placing the City Manager in charge of the Clerk and hence of elections and reporting. The City Manager is the City Treasurer and now also the City Clerk. Change in City Clerk contract could provide less security to the position and undue pressure on the City Manager.

She suggested that if we really wanted to make a structural change we should consider an elected and stronger Mayor position. That way the Mayor would have a mandate from the people to implement changes.

Mayor Pro Tem Bartlett stated that in her review of the duties and responsibilities of the City Clerk that it was her opinion that there should be a certain level of independence and separation between the positions of the City Clerk and the City Manager. She added that she would want to keep the current appointment and evaluation arrangement as it is and does not support a change.



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Council Member Weinberg stated that the Council is similar to a board of directors and that they do not know if their City Clerk is at work as she should be. The day-to-day operations should be left up to the City Manager.

Mayor Bishop stated that since there has been a constant turnover of City Clerks in the past he felt that the change would offer the position some protection from a rogue Council and put the position in line with the other executive management in the City.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WEINBERG, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ANDERSON, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCE AND (WAIVE FURTHER) HOLD FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED:

*AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.08 OF THE DANA POINT MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE CITY MANAGER.*

*AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.10 OF THE DANA POINT MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE CITY CLERK.*

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Council Members Anderson, Weinberg, and Mayor Bishop
NOES:	Council Member Harkey and Mayor Pro Tem Bartlett
ABSENT:	None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (Continued)**

There were no additional Public Comments received.

**STAFF REPORTS**

There were no Staff Reports.

**COUNCIL REPORTS, INCLUDING CITY RELATED MEETINGS ATTENDED**

Council Member Anderson wished everyone a Happy New Year. She reported that she had attended the Chamber's Holiday Luncheon at the Ritz Carlton on December 13<sup>th</sup> and on January 10<sup>th</sup> she had attended the OC Library Advisory Board meeting where she was re-elected secretary and they received the State of the Library Report in which budget reductions were discussed.

She stated that CASA had to re-schedule the meeting to discuss the barking dog ordinance to January 28<sup>th</sup>. She added that the City of San Clemente had adopted an ordinance and that City Manager Chotkevys and Lt. Levy had met with the shelter director to discuss the implementation of an ordinance here in Dana Point.

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She announced that on January 24, 2008 AEGIS Assisted Living was hosting author of many Alzheimer's books, David Troxel from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. as the month's guest speaker. She stated that the event was open to the public and to call 488-2650 to RSVP.

Mayor Pro Tem Bartlett reported that she had attended the following; several TCA Board meetings, the La Plaza Tree Lighting, Dana Point Boat Parade, Chamber of Commerce Lunch, Volunteer In Police Services lunch, and the Boys and Girls Club. She stated that in addition to the holiday parties, she had also attended the December 7<sup>th</sup> Ribbon Cutting for Chronic Tacos and the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine War Memorial Ceremony at Camp Pendleton. She had also attended the California League of Cities meeting with the topic being "Group Homes" on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

She announced the upcoming events:

January 26 – Chamber of Commerce installation dinner at the Dana Point Yacht Club.

January 31 – Dana Point Relay For Life kick off meeting at 6:00 p.m.

February 1 and 2 – *Jazz in January* fundraiser at the Ocean Institute with a concert performance by Gerald Albright and Rick Braun. Contact the Ocean Institute for tickets.

Council Member Weinberg stated that he had attended the following:

- Chronic Taco Ribbon Cutting
- Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
- City's Holiday Lunch
- Judge at the Dana Point Boat Parade

He wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Council Member Harkey stated that she had a great holiday and that she had taken two (2) weeks off to relax and was able to read a couple of books. She added that she had attended the following:

December 13 – Chamber of Commerce Holiday Luncheon

December 16 – Presented the Mayor's Cup at the Dana Point Boat Parade. She stated that the winners donated their \$1,000 prize to a Leukemia charity.

December 30 – Horseback trail ride – Irvine Ranch

January 7 – Sand Dollar Guild swearing in of the new board and the Guild had donated \$50,000 to the Ocean Institute.

January 9 and 10 – TCA Ad Hoc and Board Meetings

January 10 – League of Cities where she accepted a position as the Legislative Advocate for the 73<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District.

January 11 – Lunch with the City Manager

January 13 – CWLA function at her home with guest speaker Gaddi Vasquez, U.S. Representative to the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organizations.

January 15 – Laguna Niguel Chamber Installation

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She stated that her future events included:

January 22 – Lunch with the Governor

January 26 – Chamber Installation Dinner at the Dana Point Yacht Club

January 29 – OC Business Council annual dinner at Hyatt Regency in Irvine, on the topic “The Road Ahead” with guest speakers, George Will a syndicated columnist, Steve Lenzi the Senior VP of the Auto Club, Chris Anderson publisher of the LA Times and David Hiller CEO of the O.C. Register.

February 3 – Super Bowl Sunday

February 5 – Vote

February 6<sup>th</sup> – Coastal Commission hearing regarding the completion for the 241 in Oceanside. For more information visit the website: [www.relievetraffic.org](http://www.relievetraffic.org)

Mayor Bishop spoke regarding the recent fire at Proud Mary’s and how 17 fire trucks had responded. He stated that he was holding office hours on Fridays. He reported that he had attended the Chamber luncheon, several OCFA meetings, the South Coast Medical Center Star Finder’s Event at the St. Regis, and the Ocean Water Quality meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Bishop declared the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m. and announced that the next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be February 5, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber located at 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point, California.

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KATHY M. WARD  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AT THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2008

Exhibit 1



**Coastal Consistency Certification**  
**SR241 Foothill South**

**City of Dana Point**  
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**Transportation Corridor Agencies**

*Agenda Item # 20  
1/15/08*

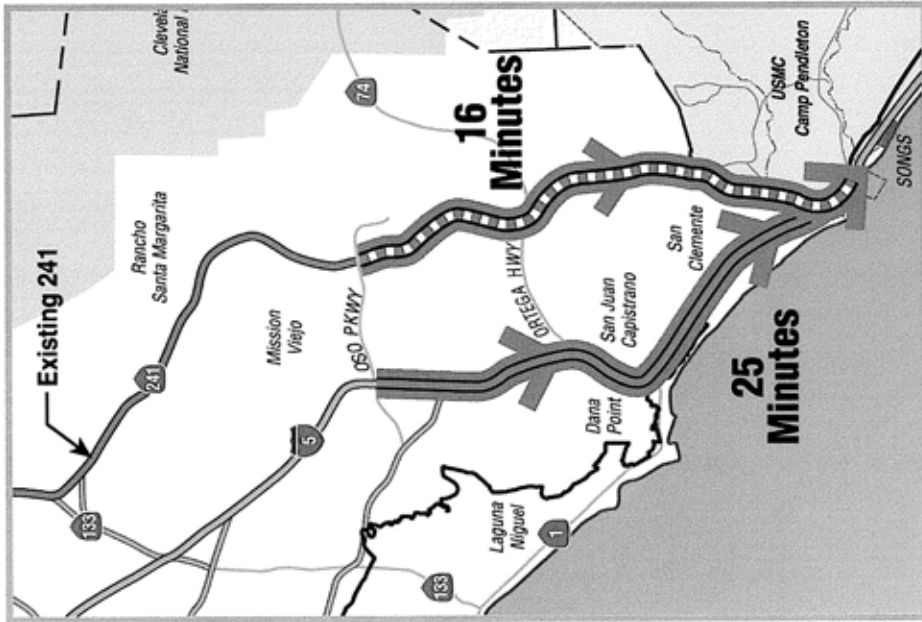


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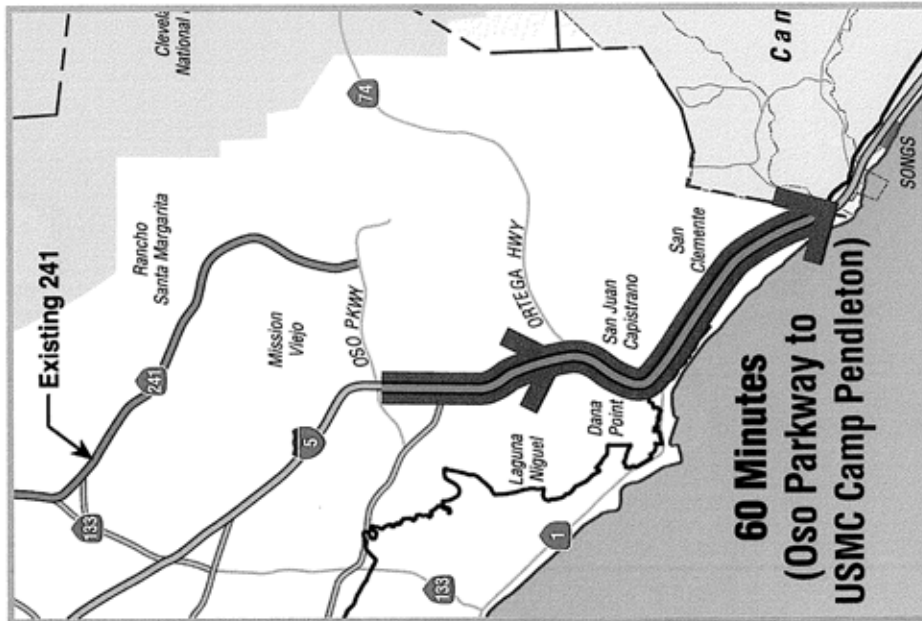
**Benefits of an Alternative**

**Foothill-South**

**WITH ALIGNMENT - 2025**

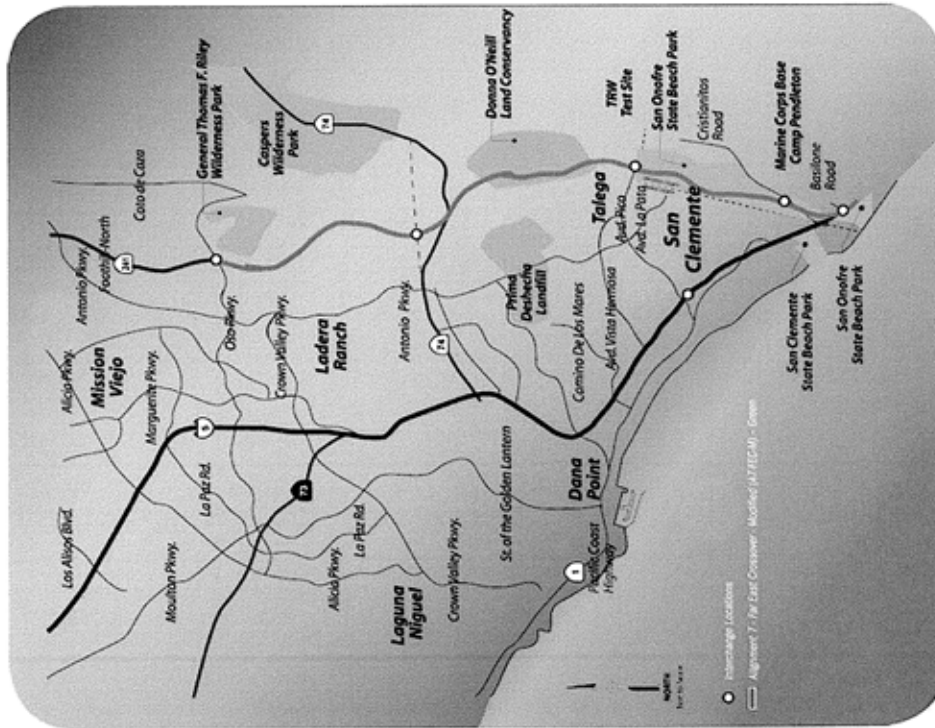


**WITHOUT ALIGNMENT - 2025**



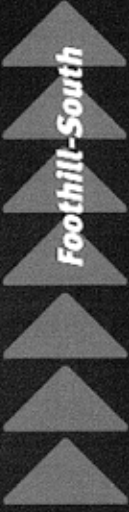
# February 2006: Green Alignment Chosen

Foothill-South



- Relieves traffic on I-5 and arterial intersections
- Least environmentally damaging practicable alternative (preliminary determination)
- Located along the eastern boundary of Camp Pendleton – to not impact military operations
- Does not displace homes or businesses

## **Background**



- TCA's project is to be heard before the Coastal Commission February 6-8, 2008.
- The September 2007 Coastal Commission staff report makes significant factual errors and misrepresentations about the Foothill South project.
- TCA recently responded to these errors in a detailed package delivered to the Commission last week.



# Alternatives

Foothill-South

- Coastal staff admits that the project is needed, but endorses I-5 widening and other alternatives instead.
- TCA was involved in a six year collaborative effort with six State and Federal agencies designed to select the "least environmentally damaging practicable alternative."



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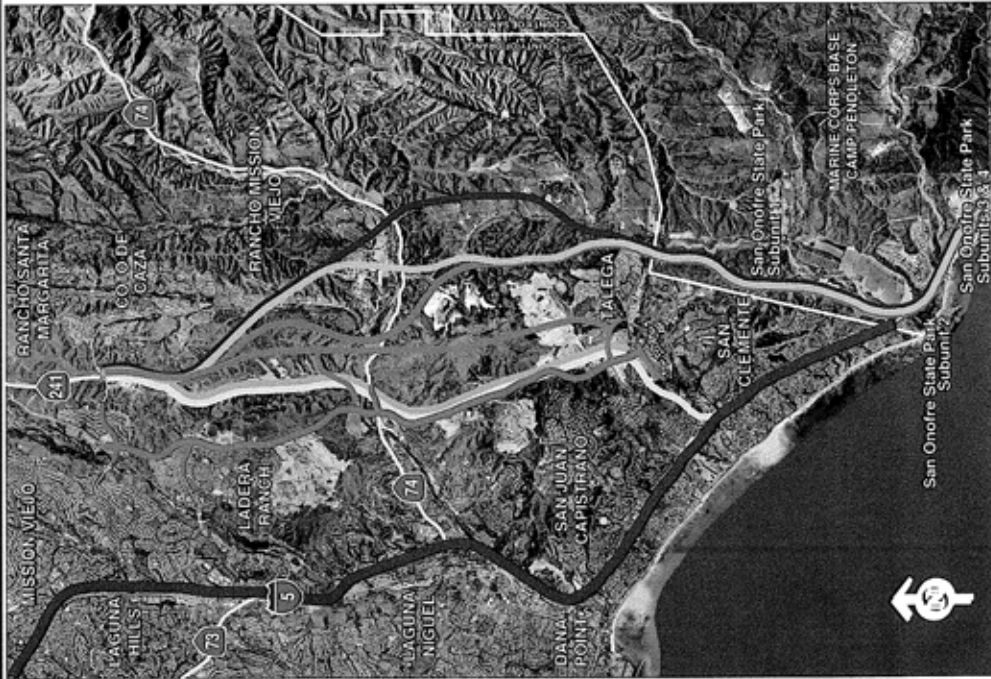


Marine Corps Base  
**Camp Pendleton**

# Alternatives

Foothill-South

- Started with 24 alternatives
- Reduced Set selected
  - 8 build alternatives + var.
    - 6 toll road
    - Widening Interstate 5
    - Improving city streets
  - No project



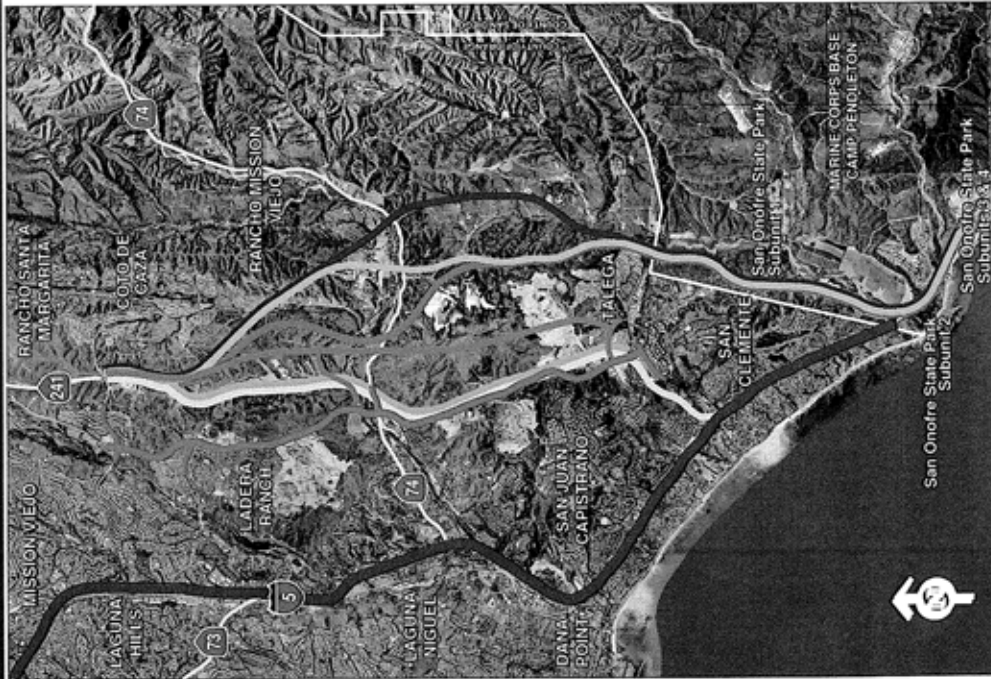
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**Foothill-South**

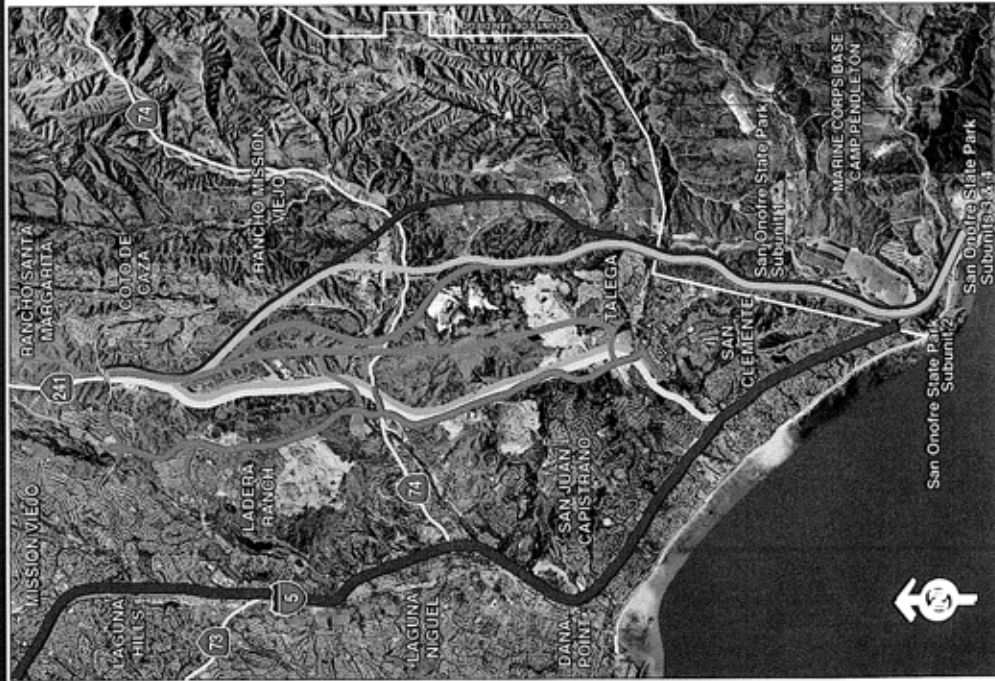
**Detailed Evaluations**

- Project Alternatives
  - Military Impacts
  - Paleontological Resources
  - Hazardous Materials
  - Earth Resources
  - Natural Environment Study
  - Wetlands Delineation Report
  - Traffic and Transportation
    - Land Use
  - Public Services and Utilities
    - Air Quality
    - Relocation Impacts
    - Hydrology Study
  - Runoff Management Plan
  - Visual Impact Assessment
  - Location Hydraulic Studies
  - Archeological Survey Report
- Socioeconomics and Growth Inducing Impacts
  - Recreation Resources
    - Noise
- Historic Architectural Survey Report
- Historic Property Survey Report
  - Right-of Way Costs



# Alternatives

Foothill-South



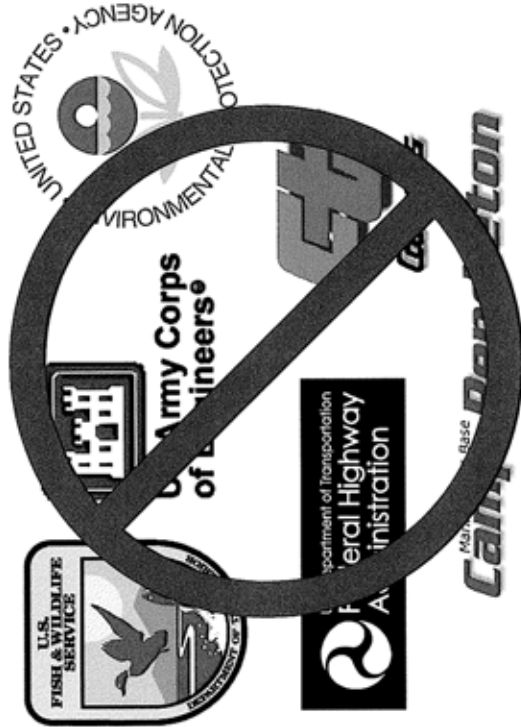
## PRACTICABILITY CRITERIA

- Meet Project Purpose and Need
- Cost of Construction
- Operational/Safety Problems
- Unacceptable adverse impacts
  - social
  - economic
  - environmental
- Serious Community Disruption
- Unsuitable Demographics
- Logistical/Technical Constraints
- Available Funding Sources

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**Alternatives**

**Foothill-South**



## Alternatives

Foothill-South

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- Alternative submitted by opponents
  - Proposes widening of I-5 and arterials
  - Traffic relief is unstudied and unsubstantiated
  - Highway safety concerns are ignored
  - Future traffic is not addressed
  - Geometric design features are compromised
  - Water quality basins placed above roadway surface
  - Local frontage streets along Interstate 5 are narrowed
  - No funding source is offered
  - Does not resolve our need for alternative routes

# I-5 Widening Alternative

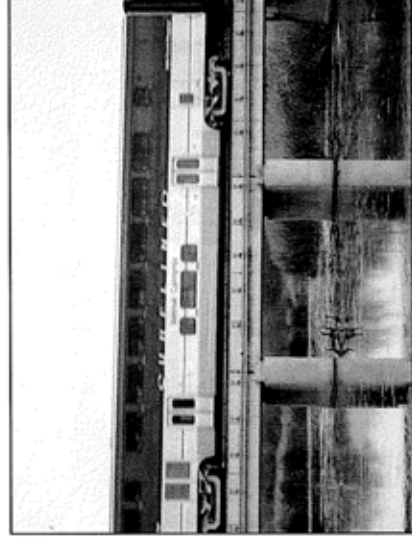
Foothill-South



## ***Balancing***

**Foothill-South**

- Coastal staff has historically taken the position that impacts to wetlands are not allowed for transportation projects.
- Commission has recently over-ruled staff on twelve projects including:
  - Railroad Trestles through San Onofre State Beach
  - SR-56 in San Diego County
  - SR-73 in Orange County

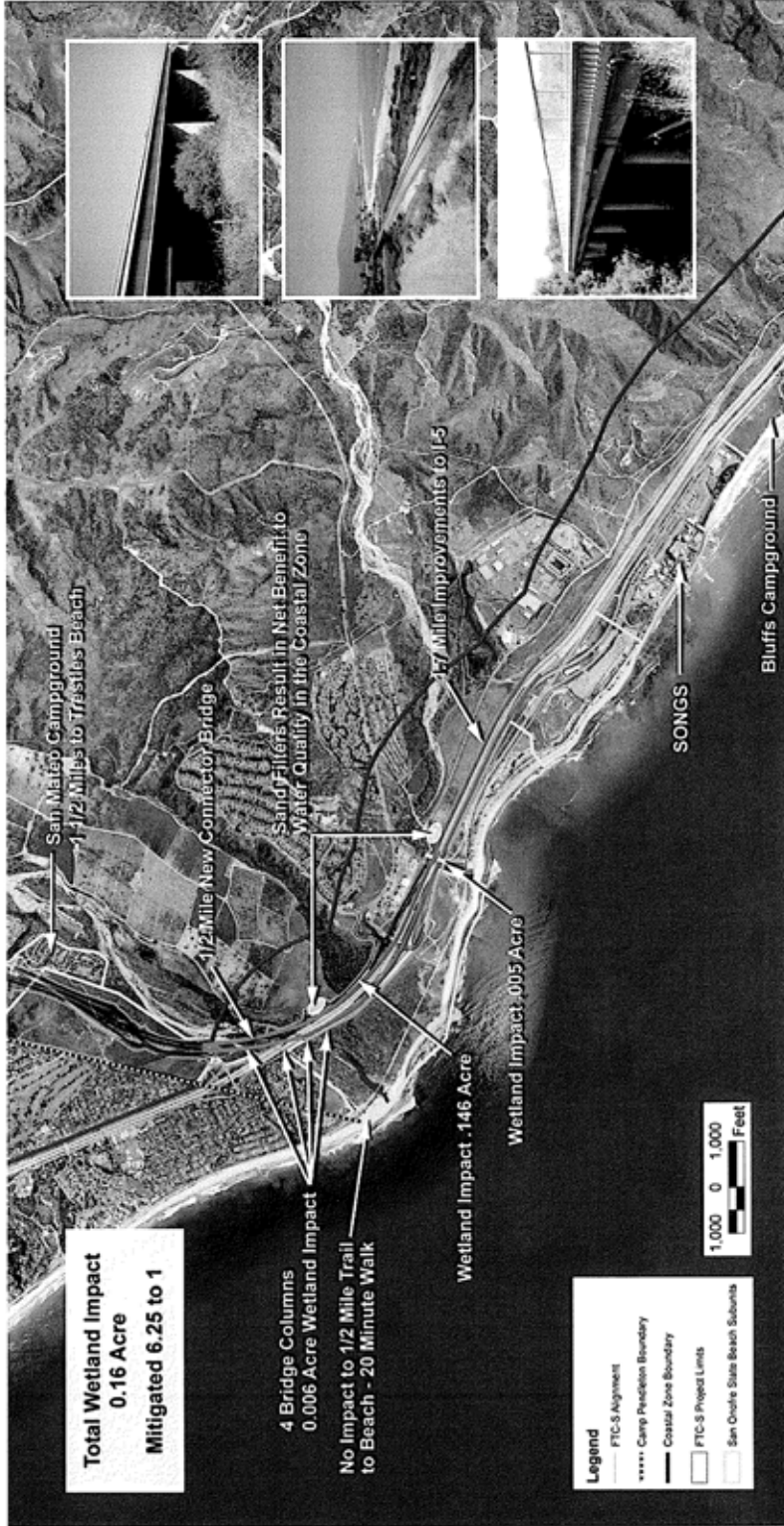




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**Coastal Zone**

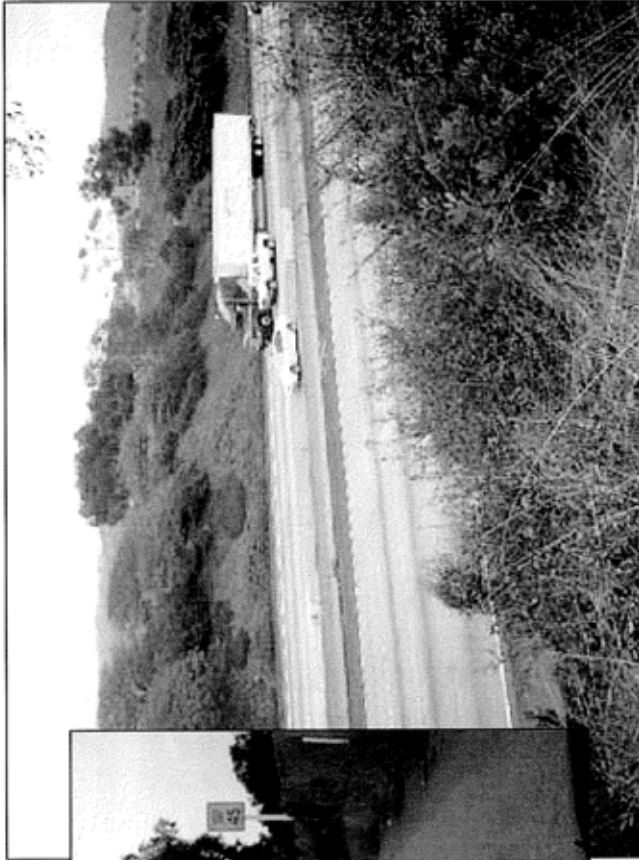
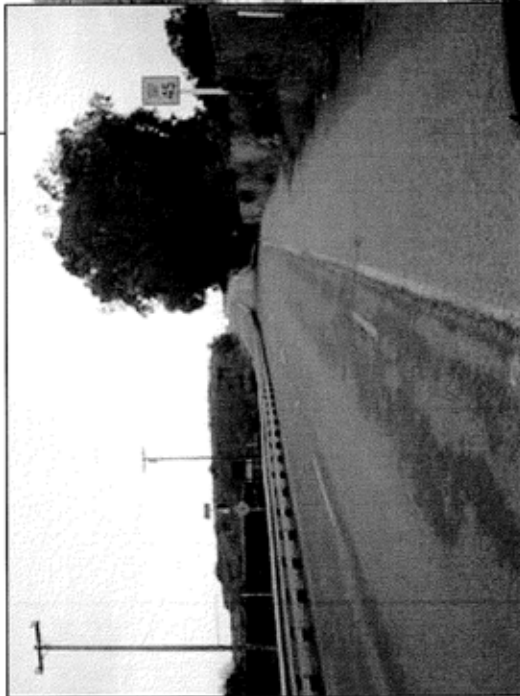

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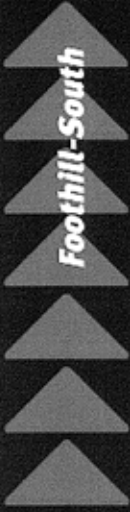
**Environmentally Sensitive  
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- Coastal staff ESHA calculations include Interstate 5, Old Highway 101, Cristianitos Road, etc.

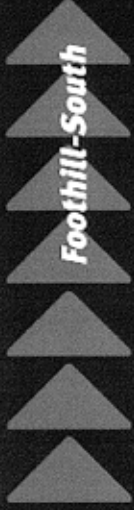


**Impacts to  
San Onofre State Beach**



- Coastal staff claims the project will have significant adverse effects on San Mateo Campground.
  - The campground is well inland of Interstate 5 and outside of the Coastal Zone
  - The new highway project is no closer to the campsites than the bluff's campsites are to I-5
  - The new highway project is no closer to the beach than Old Highway 101

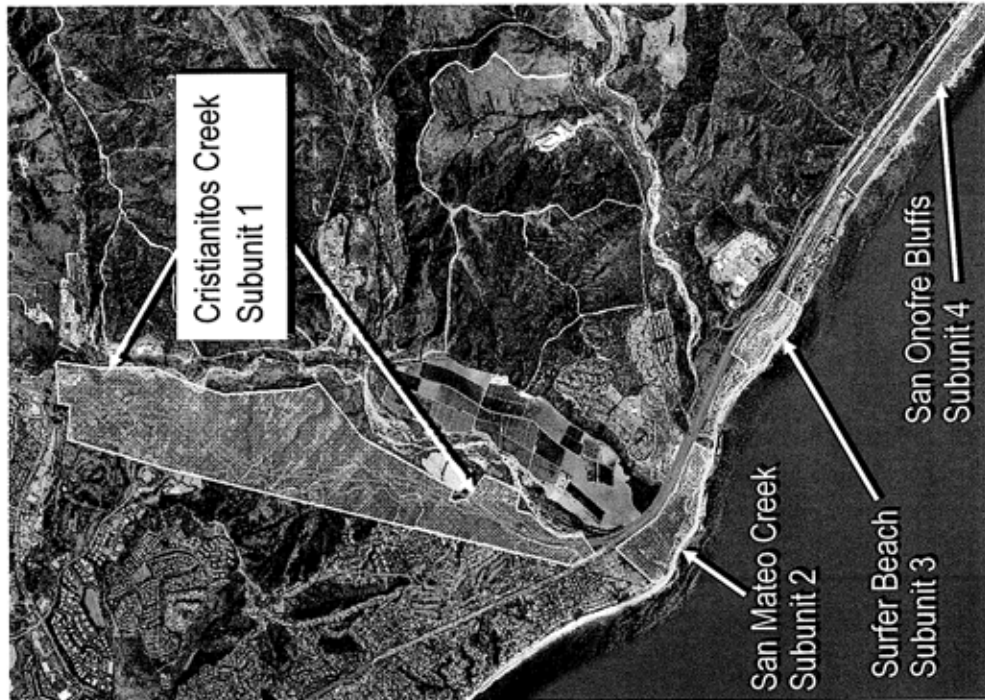
## ***Impacts to San Onofre State Beach***



- Recent state proposed budget cuts may force cutbacks at San Onofre and San Clemente State Beaches
- TCA has offered \$100 million to do such things as:
  - Extend the lease for the State Beach which expires in 2021
  - Add campsites to San Onofre SB & San Clemente SB
  - Restore cottages, coastal sage scrub habitat and construct camping facilities at nearby Crystal Cove State Park

## San Onofre State Beach

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- State park is a lease hold from Camp Pendleton (expires in 2021)
- Marines requested that route be as close to the northern edge of Camp Pendleton as possible
- Toll Road is inland of I-5
- It does not impact coastal units of the park
- 95% of the visitors use the coastal units

## **No Impacts to Trestles Surf Break**

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- Coastal staff claims that TCA has not adequately demonstrated that the surf break at Trestles would be protected.
  - The cobble source for the foundational material for the surf break will not be changed.
  - Fine sediment flow in the watershed, while not critical to the surf break, is nevertheless maintained.
  - Water quality in the coastal zone will be improved with significant retrofit of I-5, which currently drains directly to San Mateo and San Onofre Creeks.
  - 500 supports within the area have not impacted the break.
  - Embankments constructed across the San Mateo area (railroad, Old Highway 101 & I-5) have not impacted the break.

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