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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE PROPOSED
SANDYLAND SHORELINE PROTECTION PROJECT**

SCH # 2024120924

Project Description: The proposed Project would repair and restore the 1983 design of the existing 3,700-foot-long Sandyland Seawall (shoreline protection in the form of a rock revetment) located between Sand Point Road residences and the coastline. Specifically, the proposed Project would involve repairing the revetment by placing up to 15,000 tons of 3- to 5-ton armor rocks to achieve the 1983 design of the revetment with a 16.4-foot crest elevation (relative to NAVD88 vertical datum), a 2:1 (horizontal:vertical) seaward slope, and a crest width of 10 feet. The repair would involve minor re-working of the revetment, using new (imported) armor rocks to fill voids in the revetment, correct low points and reduced width in the revetment crest, and address areas where existing armor stone has been dislodged. Where possible, existing displaced armor rock would be salvaged and re-used.

In addition, the proposed Project would provide dune vegetation enhancement along the landward splash wall. Existing non-native vegetation would be removed and native dune vegetation would be planted to create additional habitat area. Construction of the dune feature may require the import of a small amount of sand for dune vegetation establishment in locations where sand cover does not exist.

Lastly, of the 23 existing private access stairways constructed along the revetment to serve residents of Sand Point Road, under the proposed Project, 12 private access stairways would be demolished, and the design rock revetment would be restored in their place. The remaining 11 existing access stairways would be rebuilt.

Project Location: The Project site is comprised of an existing approximately 3,700-foot-long Sandyland Seawall located in unincorporated Santa Barbara County South Coast, approximately 0.7 miles west of the City of Carpinteria. The revetment is located seaward of the residential homes and accessory structures along Sand Point Road, between the residences and the beach.

Public Hearing and Comment: The County of Santa Barbara Public Works Department is soliciting comments on the technical adequacy and completeness of the Draft EIR prepared for the Sandyland Shoreline Protection Project. You may comment by providing testimony at the public hearing, which will be held, in-person, at the Santa Barbara County Engineering Building, Planning Commission Hearing Room at 123 E. Anapamu Street on Tuesday, July 21 at 10:00 a.m.

Environmental Review Findings: Public Works has prepared a Draft EIR pursuant to requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and the County of Santa Barbara Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA. The Draft EIR prepared for the project identifies and discusses potential impacts, mitigation measures, residual impacts, and monitoring requirements for identified subject areas. **Significant and unavoidable** effects on the environment identified in the Draft EIR include temporary, construction-related noise effects. Significant but mitigable effects on the environment identified in the Draft EIR include potential construction-related impacts to biological resources as well as cultural and tribal cultural resources.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**



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Document Availability: The Draft EIR and all documents incorporated by reference may be reviewed at the Public Works Department offices at 123 E. Anapamu Street and on the County of Santa Barbara website at <https://www.countyofsb.org/4402/Sandyland-Shoreline-Protection-Project>. Documents are also available for review at the County of Santa Barbara Public Works Department office at 123 E. Anapamu Street.

How to Comment: All written agency and public **comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 17**. Please send your comments and the name of a contact person in your agency to the Environmental Project Manager, Morgan M. Jones, at the address provided below.

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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the hearing, please contact Hearing Support Staff (805) 568-2000. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the hearing will enable Hearing Support Staff to make reasonable arrangements.