

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

There are no anticipated areas of controversy.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Trustee Agency and Responsible Agency:
California State Lands Commission

Trustee Agency:
California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 5 South Coast, San Diego

Responsible Agency:
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District
City of Port Hueneme
California Coastal Commission

Attachment to Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

Project Title: Port of Hueneme North Terminal Berth Deepening and Wharf 2 Improvements Project

This document provides additional information that identifies the significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describes proposed mitigation measures for the project's Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration that would reduce that effect.

Air Quality

MM-AQ-1: Construction Idling Reductions. The Port will require construction contractors to minimize heavy-duty construction idling time to 2 minutes where feasible. Exceptions include vehicles that need to idle to perform work (such as a crane providing hydraulic power to the boom), vehicles being serviced, or vehicles in a queue waiting for work. This requirement will be included as a specification in construction contracts.

MM-AQ-2: Use of Clean Equipment and Clean Trucks During Construction. All off-road engines less than 50 horsepower used to construct the proposed project will be equipped with Tier 2 engines, except for specialized equipment or when Tier 2 engines are not available. All off-road diesel-powered heavy equipment exceeding 50 horsepower used to construct the proposed project will be equipped with Tier 4 engines, except for specialized equipment or when Tier 4 engines are not available. In place of Tier 4 engines for equipment exceeding 50 horsepower, off-road diesel-powered heavy equipment will incorporate retrofits such that emission reductions achieved equal or exceed that of a Tier 4 engine. In addition, all heavy-duty on-road trucks used during construction shall be model year 2014 or newer, with a preference for zero-emission trucks where available. These requirements will be included as specifications in construction contracts.

Biological Resources

MM-BIO-1: Nesting Bird Survey. To avoid potential impacts on nesting marine-dependent birds during direct placement of sediment on Hueneme Beach between February 15th and September 15th, a qualified biologist shall perform a marine-dependent nesting bird survey within 500 feet of the noise-generating activity 1 week prior to the start of construction utilizing heavy equipment. If the survey identifies nesting birds within 500 feet of the noise-generating activity, qualified biologists shall notify the construction manager and monitor active nests. If, based on the judgment of the biologist, construction activities may result in impacts to nesting marine-dependent birds, construction activities will be modified or temporarily paused until fledging has occurred.

MM-BIO-2: Worker Environmental Awareness Program. Prior to the initiation of any in-water project activities, all personnel associated with the proposed project shall attend a worker environmental awareness training program (program) with content developed by a qualified biologist regarding sensitive marine and avian species in the project area, including but not limited to California least tern and western snowy plover, their habitat preference(s), law and regulations, as well as potential impacts and protection measures, and project work area limits.

Protections and regulations for federally-listed species will be included in the program. A copy of the training program will be distributed to all contractors, employers, and other personnel involved during in-water construction activities. Specifically, the program will include:

1. Measures to prevent indirect impacts to biological resources during in-water construction activities, including dredging, demolition, and pile driving as they relate to the protection of adjacent aquatic habitat.
2. Training materials shall include laws and regulations that protect federally-listed species and their habitats, the consequences of non-compliance with laws and regulations, and a contact person (i.e. biological monitor and District project manager) in the event that protected biological resources are affected.
3. The District or its contractors should notify the qualified biologist in advance of the kick-off meeting and any subsequent meetings that may take place if additional contractors are employed during additional in-water construction activities. A sign-in sheet will be circulated for signatures to all personnel that attend the workers' educational training to confirm that program materials were received and that they understand information presented.

MM-BIO-3: On-site Qualified Monitor. Prior to and during in-water construction activities, a qualified professional shall monitor dredging and pile driving activities to avoid potential impacts on marine mammals and avian species in the project area. The monitor must observe an impact radius around the project construction areas to ensure that sensitive marine species (i.e., marine mammals, birds, fish) are not present. The monitor must have experience in the Southern California marine environment and be adequately trained. The impact radius shall be established by determining the largest zone of influence associated with in-water construction activities occurring that workday.

MM-BIO-4: Employ "Soft-Start" Techniques During Impact Pile Driving. During construction, the Port will implement soft start techniques for impact pile driving, which is industry standard and will be required per regulatory permits.

MM-BIO-5: California Grunion Spawning Survey. Prior to initiating direct placement of sand at Hueneme Beach, the proposed placement area will be surveyed to determine whether California grunion are present and spawning during predicted run and egg incubation periods identified by CDFW.

Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources

MM-CUL-1: Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources Inadvertent Discovery Procedures. In the event that previously unidentified cultural resources, Tribal Cultural Resources (as defined in Public Resources Code Section 21074), or human remains are encountered during ground-disturbing or in-water construction activities, all work shall cease immediately within 10 meters (30 feet) of the discovery. Construction may continue in other areas away from the discovery location.

A qualified archaeologist meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards shall be retained by the Port to evaluate the discovery and determine its significance pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5.

If the resource is determined to be a Tribal Cultural Resource, the Port shall notify the appropriate California Native American Tribe(s) and engage in consultation in accordance with Assembly Bill 52. Consultation shall be conducted for the purpose of determining appropriate treatment measures, which may include avoidance, preservation in place, or other culturally appropriate measures identified in consultation with the Tribe(s).

If human remains are discovered, the Ventura County Coroner shall be notified immediately in accordance with California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5. If the Coroner determines that the remains are Native American, the Coroner shall notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), which shall designate a Most Likely Descendant (MLD). Treatment of the remains and any associated grave goods shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the MLD pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5097.98.

Construction activities within the discovery area shall not resume until the evaluation is complete and any required treatment measures have been implemented.