



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

In compliance with section 15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and the County of Orange Procedures, notification is hereby given to responsible agencies, trustee agencies, interest groups and the general public, that the County of Orange **shall adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) File Number PP-24-0054.**

PUBLIC REVIEW:

The proposed MND is being circulated for public review for 30 days, from June 1, 2026, to June 30, 2026. The MND may be adopted by the County of Orange and become **final unless written comments on its appropriateness or adequacy are received by the office listed below by 4:30 p.m.** on the ending date of the public review period (June 30, 2026).

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PUBLIC MEETING(S)/HEARINGS ON PROJECT:

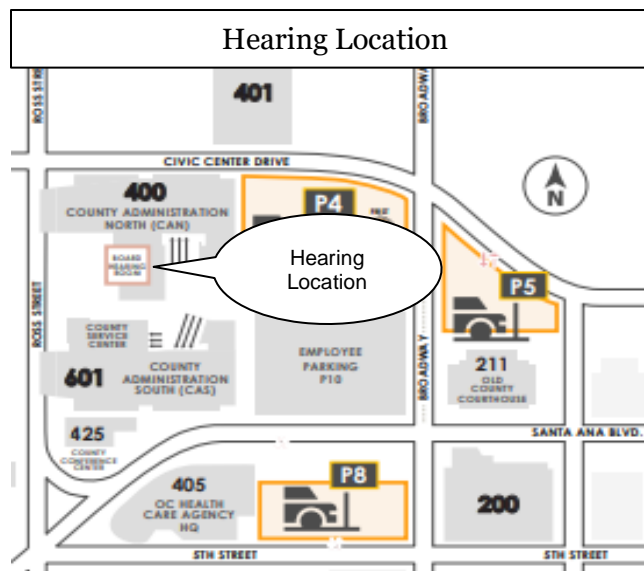
The proposed project will be reviewed for approval by the decision-maker listed below.

DECISION MAKING BODY: Board of Supervisors

DATE: TBD **TIME: 9:30 AM or soon thereafter**

LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING/HEARING: County Administration North, Board Hearing Room, First Floor, 400 W Civic Center Dr, Santa Ana. Pictured Below.

The MND and any supporting attachments are available for review during normal business hours at the offices of the OC Public Works, OC Development Services/Planning, 601 North Ross Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701 and also available at the following website:
<https://pwds.oc.gov/service-areas/oc-development-services/planning-development/current-projects/1st-district-5th-0>



DATE POSTED: June 1, 2026



**MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
OC PUBLIC WORKS
601 NORTH ROSS STREET
P. O. BOX 4048
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701**

In accordance with Orange County Board of Supervisors' policies regarding implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, the County of Orange has conducted an Initial Study to determine whether the following project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment. On the basis of that study, the County of Orange hereby finds that the proposed project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report because either the proposed project:

- has** or **creates no** significant environmental impacts requiring mitigation; or
- will not create** a significant adverse effect, because the Mitigation Measures described in the Initial Study have been added to the project.

The environmental documents, which constitute the Initial Study and supporting technical studies provide the basis and reasons for this determination are available on the website and hereby made a part of this document.

PROJECT:

Title: Orange County Sand Compatibility and Opportunistic Use Program

File No: PP-24-0054

Location: various locations in Orange County, including City of Seal Beach, City of Huntington Beach, City of Costa Mesa, City of Newport Beach, City of Irvine, City of Dana Point, and City of San Clemente. See location map below.

Description: The Program would obtain regulatory approvals and environmental clearances in advance to allow for beach nourishment projects to occur as sediment source opportunities arise. These projects are intended to restore beaches and protect against coastal erosion. The Program's scope includes 25 beach receiving sites and 10 stockpile sites. These sites are located along the Orange County coast and inland in the following Cities (listed north to south): City of Seal Beach, City of Huntington Beach, City of Costa Mesa, City of Newport Beach, City of Irvine, City of Dana Point, and City of San Clemente. All events where opportunistic sand would be used for beach nourishment within the scope of The Program would have to demonstrate compliance with a pre-determined set of science-based criteria, using sediment and water quality guidelines from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and others.

Project Proponent or Applicant: County of Orange

Division/Department Responsible for Proposed Project: Orange County Public Works

Address: 601 North Ross Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701

Contact Person – Project: Giles Mathews, Project Manager

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Contact Person – CEQA: Virginia Gomez, Senior Planner

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NOTICE: The Mitigated Negative Declaration shall become final unless written comments are received by the office listed above by **4:30 p.m. on June 30, 2026**. If you wish to provide comments on the appropriateness or adequacy of this document, address your written comments to our finding that the project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment: (1) identify the environmental effect(s), why they would occur, and why they would be significant, and (2) suggest any mitigation measures which you believe would eliminate or reduce the effect to an acceptable level. Regarding item (1) above, explain the basis for your comments and submit any supporting data or references.

Dated: 5/19/2026 | 2:27 PM PDT

Signed: Cindy Salazar
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NOTE: This document and supporting attachments are provided to the general public for review. This is an information document about environmental effects only. Supplemental information is on file and may be reviewed in the office listed above. The decision-making body will review this document and potentially many other sources of information before considering the proposed project.

Project Locations

