

## CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION

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# F9a-e

## ADDENDUM

February 3, 2009

TO: Coastal Commissioners and Interested Parties

FROM: South Coast District Staff

SUBJECT: ADDENDUM TO **ITEM F9a-e**, COASTAL COMMISSION PERMIT APPLICATION  
**#A-5\_LGB-08-47-51 (City of Laguna Beach)** FOR THE COMMISSION  
MEETING OF **February 6, 2009**.

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### Additional Correspondence

The appellant has requested that average wave height charts be attached to the staff report as a part of a email correspondence received February 2, 2009.

**Gabriel Buhr**

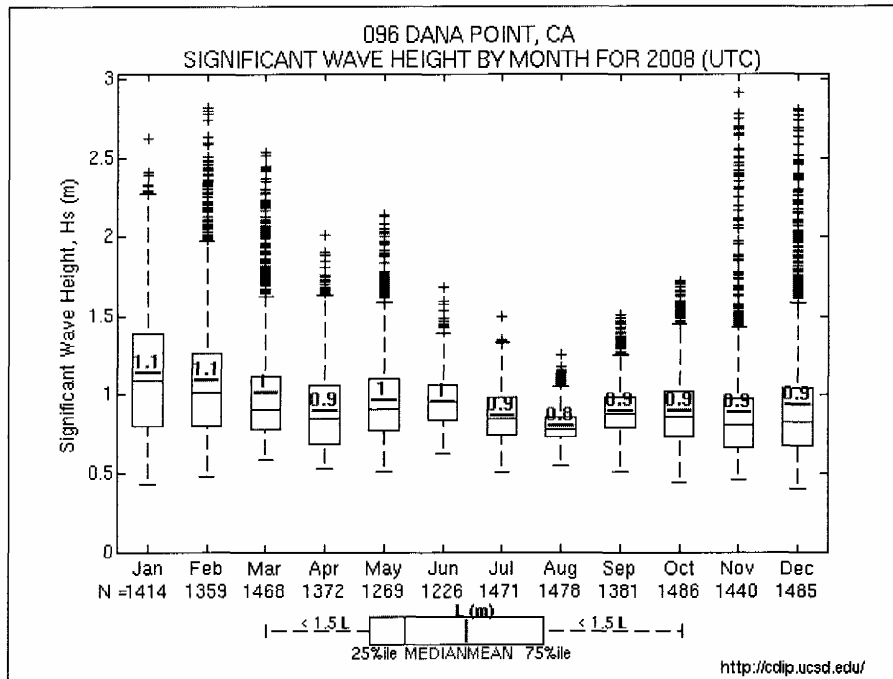
**From:** lagunasandra@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 9:44 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr; Karl Schwing; Andrew Willis  
**Subject:** 2000-2009 waves from Coastal Data Info Program (CDIP)

Good morning gentlemen,

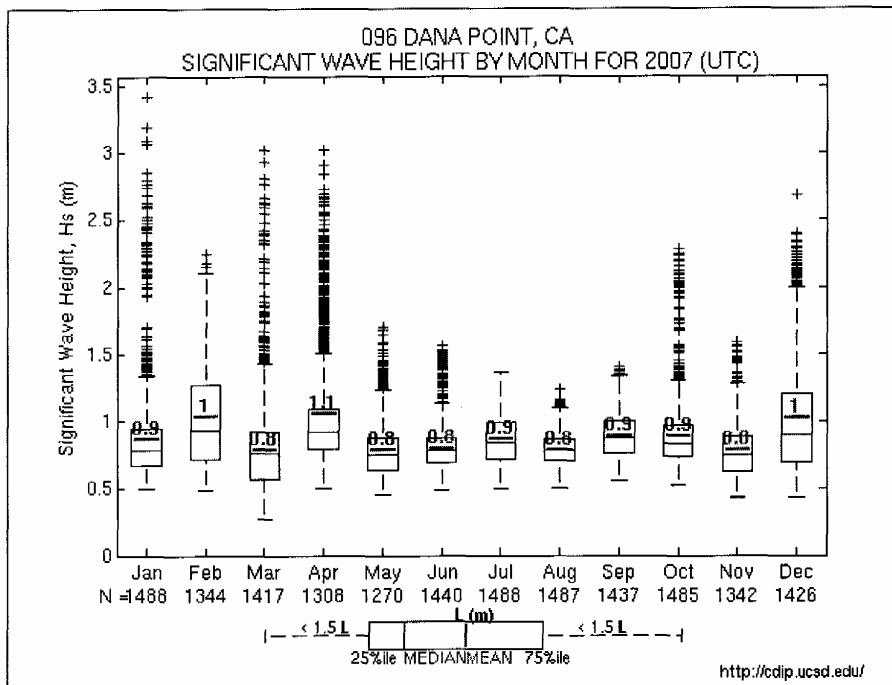
Here are some wave charts (200-2008) that I found. It shows that the wave size is constantly much smaller during the summer months than in the winter months. This translates into very small, if any, sand shift. Therefore, there is no legitimate reason to have a permanent structure. Are you sure that you do not want to reconsider and urge against permanent towers at all 5 beaches? The Commissioners are going to put a great deal of weight on what you suggest.

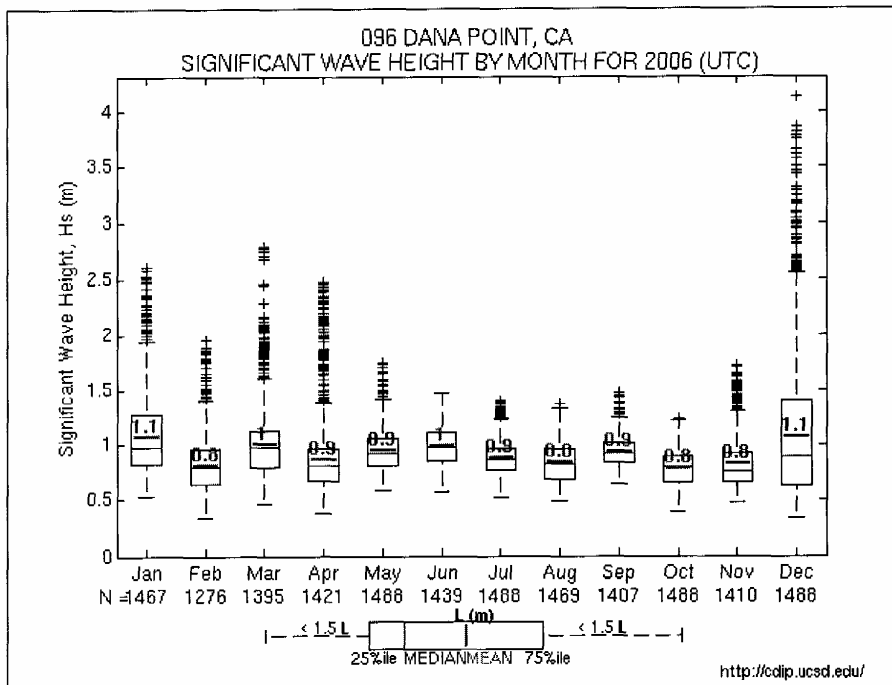
Thank you again,  
 Sandra Siani

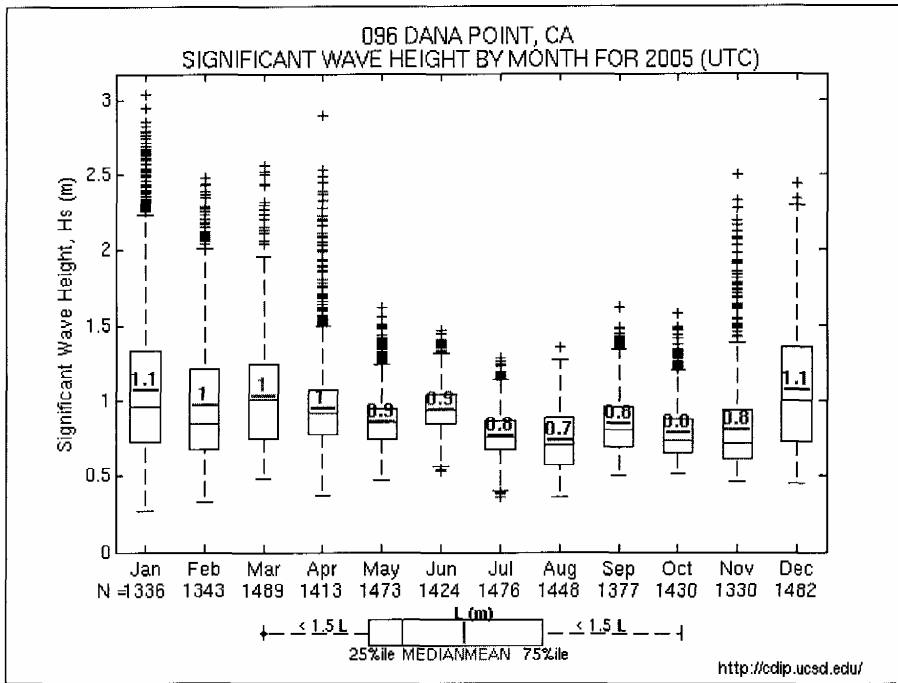
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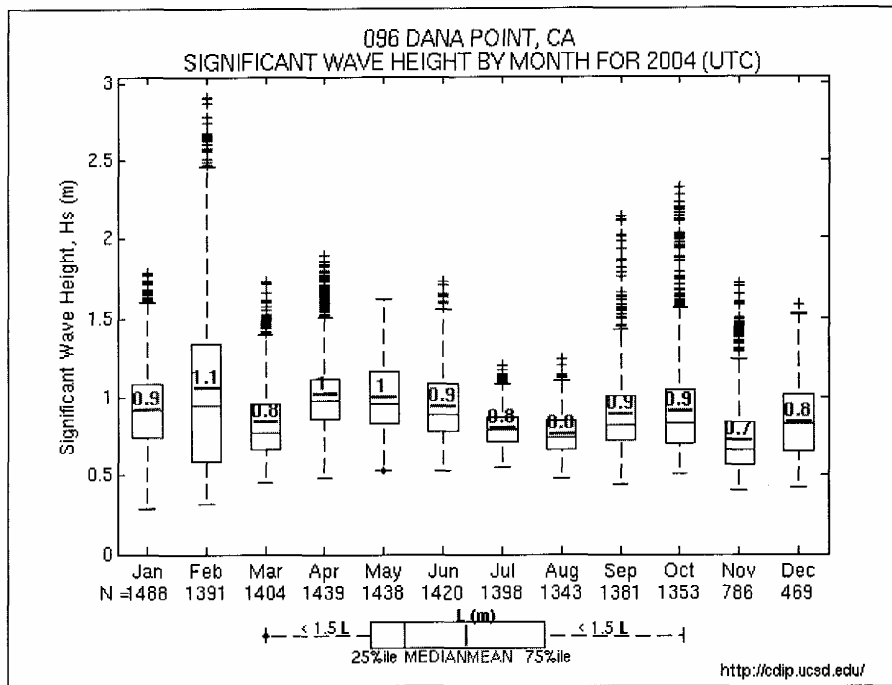


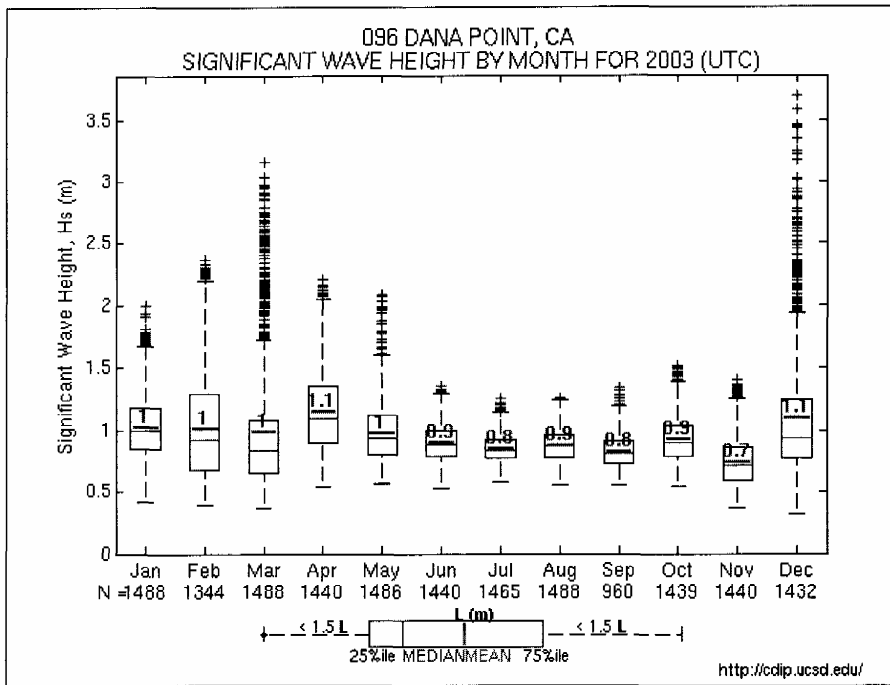
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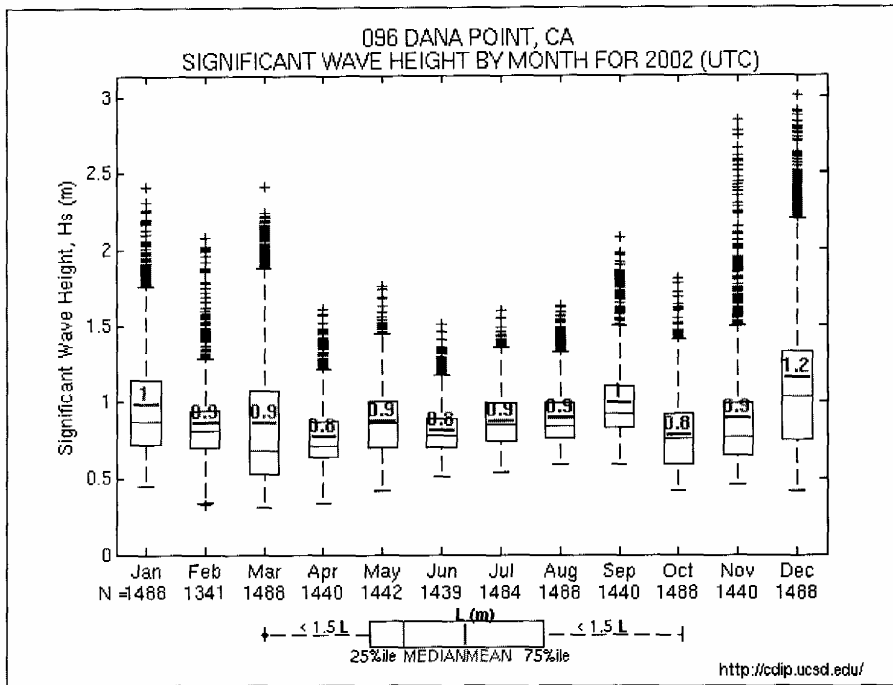




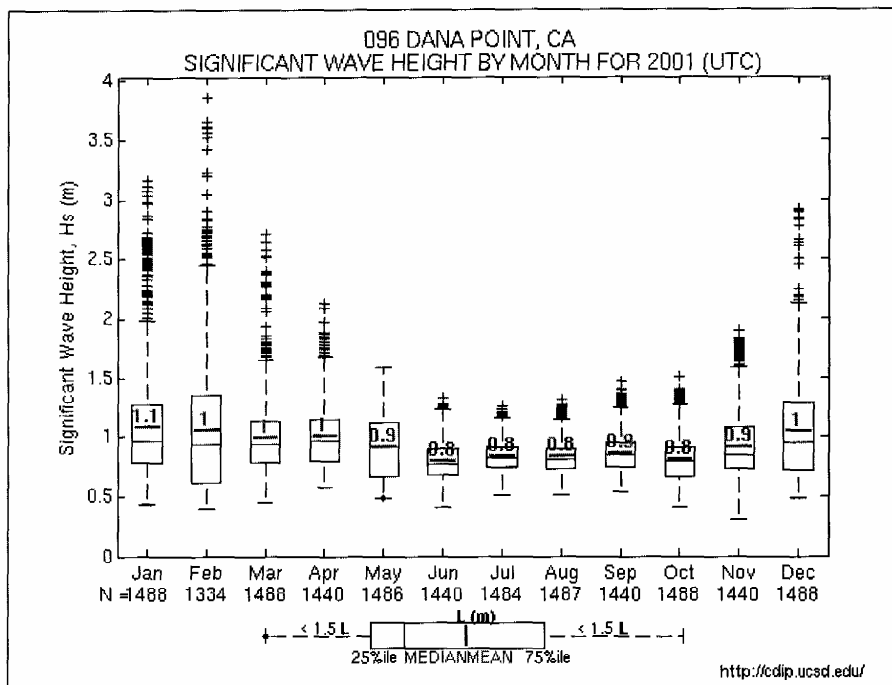


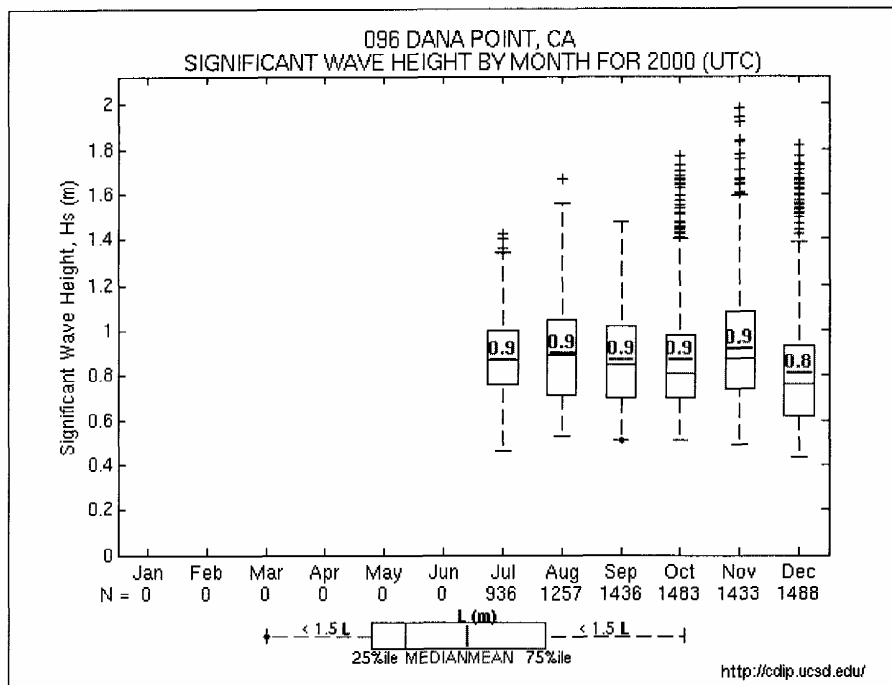













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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Commissioners and Interested Parties

FROM: Sherilyn Sarb/South Coast Deputy Director (Orange County)

SUBJ: **Addendum to Commission Meeting Friday, February 6, 2009 at 9:00am**

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Thurs, 2/05/09 addendum

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** anastasia beckett [anastasiabeckett@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 30, 2009 3:29 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

I am totally in support of the City of Laguna Beach lifeguard chairs being replaced with the proposed towers on caissons. Take into consideration the community at large as well as the safety of the Lifeguards themselves.

Anastasia Beckett  
949-701-2774

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** The Beuerleins [bermlines@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 9:16 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Chair Replacement Project

To whom it may concern:

As a 28-year Marine Safety employee for the City of Huntington Beach, I support the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons. The City's lifeguard chair replacement project is a critical component to public safety and employee safety. The City Council and Planning Commission support and approve this project. In addition the funding of this project has been allocated and approved.

The enclosed towers protect lifeguards from exposure to the elements (sun, wind, heat, water, etc.), provide a healthy work space that allows the lifeguard to concentrate on his or her critical public safety responsibility, and reduces the City's liability exposure due to worker's compensation (skin cancer) claims and wrongful death lawsuits (drownings due to unsafe work environment).

I urge you to support the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons.

If I can provide further information, please contact me at (714) 960-8874.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Beuerlein  
Executive Board Member  
California Surf Lifesaving Association



2/2/2009

# CLEAN WATER NOW! COALITION

P.O. Box 4711, Laguna Beach, CA 92652 - 949.280.2225 - www.cleanwaternow.com

*"The Clean Water Now! Coalition is dedicated to the protection, restoration and preservation of aquatic and riparian ecologies worldwide.."*



To: California Coastal Commission

January 30, 2009

Re: **F9a-e Appeal De Novo Hearing February 4-6, 2009 Hearings**

Applicant: City of Laguna Beach

Appellant: Sandra Siani

Staff Contact: Gabriel Buhr

CCC:

The Clean Water Now! Coalition supports ALL of the City of Laguna Beach recommendations regarding items **F9a-e**.

We disagree with your staff in regards to their opposition to **Picnic Beach** and **Bird Rock** structures, Appeal Numbers **A-5-LGB-08-050** and **A-5-LGB-08-051** respectively.

CWN!C is the local facilitator for the CCC beach cleanup programs. We are the sole designated administrators of not only the **Adopt-A-Beach** program but **California Coastal Cleanup** Day as well for the past 9 years, responsible for all 7 miles of coastline. Having continual, first hand knowledge and continuous connectivity this makes us well aware of the ephemeral or episodic conditions that affect projects like this. I am also a former Long Beach Lifeguard, a 37-year resident of Laguna Beach and have been a builder here for the same period. I am also a professional hydrology and water quality consultant, therefore in a unique position to comment with expertise.

We base our sustaining of the CLB permitting approvals for several reasons described below, including two (2) known concepts integral in environmental review not mentioned in your staff report: **Economic Feasibility (EF)** and **Technological Possibility (TP)**.

We believe that the potential for ecological damage caused by temporary structures far outweighs staff objections. Whether by mischief, by wave run-up or a combination thereof, the permanent placement is the most feasible resulting in negligible adverse impacts, beach access/use, view loss, and it provides the CLB Marine Safety Department the ability to provide proactive services. It is the best alternative.

Moreover, after viewing the conceptual drawings submitted by the appellant, subsequent research reveals that no such structures presently exist. Therefore, these drawings are fantasies, and moreover who will pay engineers to design and build the prototypes, basically experimental structures? It is also arguable that even if built, being anomalies they would require special maintenance. As an experienced builder of both commercial and residential projects, the hydraulic lifting system wouldn't lend itself well to the shifting sand as anyone standing in the saturated sandy "jello" of near tidal



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zones knows that these fantasy devices would have to be advanced-science gyroscopic, able to shift autonomously of the constant re-calibration required to stabilize them. Guards cannot remain 24/7 to assure success. And if the CLB goes through the expense and satisfies the applicant, these prototypes subsequently fail, then what? We believe that means that they don't fulfill the **EF/TP** criteria.

We are personally aware of the historical difficulties regarding our existing "skid" type temporary stations and their inherent failures, thus they are neither a viable or best alternative.

View loss is negligible, offset by the increased flexibility and efficiency regarding Marine Safety Protection. The views from the bluff aren't affected at all. Laguna Beach is now considered a year round destination resort city, and the flexibility offered by permanent stands obviates need for the obvious logistical difficulties of dragging or transporting stands during the episodic hot weather periods that occur October through April. The reality is we no longer have an "off season."

Being self-indemnified, the loss of one life due to inadequate facilities/service could result in litigation claiming a form of negligence exposure on the CLB's part.

As the CLB assumes all fiscal risk, offers to preclude any future blufftop or shoreline protection devices, we feel that all five (5) installations should be approved over staff objections. We also feel that the potential for ecological damage by moving around or completely removing temporary structures off-site represents more of an adverse impact than permanent structures. The invasive vehicles and/or machines necessary for these tactics cut wide swaths/paths out of the beach itself.

Respectfully submitted,

*Roger E. Butow*

**Founder & Executive Director  
Clean Water Now! Coalition  
Established 1998**

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Erin Capobianco [sandecapo@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2009 8:11 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

To whom it may concern,

As life long members of the Laguna Beach community, we are in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons.

Thank you,

Scott and Erin Capobianco

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## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** John Carpenter [jcarpenter@nmusd.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 30, 2009 1:39 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Saftey from sun

I support Laguna Beach City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons.

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Patty Collins [pcollins25@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 10:43 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Lifeguard Towers

We are in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons. THANK YOU!!!!

Patty & Mike Collins

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## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** Stephanie Cunningham [lagunasc1@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 30, 2009 3:43 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** laguna lifeguard tower needed

I support the permanent lifeguard tower in Laguna Beach

John Cunningham  
530 Diamond st  
Laguna beach Ca 92651

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Marcy French [myfrench@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 10:11 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Cc:** wrbndr@aol.com  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard towers

To Member of California Coastal Commission Appeal Board:

I urge you to join with the Laguna Beach City Council and Planning Commission to approve the replacement of the outmoded lifeguard chairs with up-to-date enclosed towers.

Your favorable decision will be greatly appreciated by the present and future marine safety personnel.

Thank you for your consideration.

Robert E. French, DDS., MS  
(former City of Laguna Beach lifeguard)



## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** Jeremy Frimond [jemfrim@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 1:08 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** coastal commision lifeguard towers

I am a member of laguna beach and I am in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons.

Jeremy Frimond

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Robert Gardner [rjgcon@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2009 10:06 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** lifeguard towers in Laguna Beach

To: California Coastal Commission,

The lifeguards of all of our beaches in Southern California perform a vital service for all, and save thousands of lives each year.

The young men and women who serve in these towers deserve to have professional equipment and also protection from the harmful rays of the sun. They are exposed to the harsh elements daily.

A select few citizens, with the nimby attitude which can stifle advancement for all with only a few benefitting, do not want these towers because it will harm their view. This is closed minded and self serving. Lifeguard towers belong on the beach! They do not look out of place, nor do they ruin the ambiance. There are many who would argue that they enhance the beach look.

Please see the wisdom of allowing the Laguna Beach Lifeguards to have the towers built which will enable them to perform their job to the best of their capabilities.

I have been a resident of Laguna Beach since 1962, as my parents moved here when I was only 10 years old. I have seen many changes since, and this is one which is needed for the public safety and also the protection of the work force on the Laguna Beach Lifeguards.

Sincerely,

Bob Gardner 949-235-0090  
1315 Dunning Drive Laguna Beach CA 92651

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Gil Gilbert [ggilbert@ossur.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 3:35 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Lifeguard Chairs for Laguna Beach

I am in support of the City's (Laguna Beach) lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons. I am a 20 year veteran of the Laguna Lifeguard Department and have had issues with skin cancer. I am only 45 years old and would like the younger crew protected as much as possible.

Kind regards



Jeff "Gil" Gilbert  
Director of Customer Service - Prosthetics  
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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** John Gill [jsg451@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 4:43 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

Dear Sir or Madam: I am very much in favor of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons.

I served as a lifeguard from 1969 to 1975 and would have benefited tremendously from an enclosed tower. I have had over 200 pre-cancers treated with liquid nitrogen and over 50 surgeries to remove basal and squamous cell skin cancers.

It would also have been great to be able to get out of the wind, cold, fog, and rain on quite a few days.

Lastly putting the towers on caissons would save money from moving the towers to and from the beach for the off season with the occasional injuries incurred from moving heavy towers.

The benefits to the health and welfare of those who put their life on the line for their fellow man far outweighs any petty aesthetic complaints of a few myopic individuals.

John S. Gill  
760-822-9304

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Kathleen Givens [kathleen\_givens@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 10:14 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Chair Replacement

Dear California Coastal Commission,

For both public and employee safety reasons, we are in support of the City of Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons.

We hope you'll consider approving this change.

Thank you,  
Russ and Kathleen Givens  
Laguna Beach Residents, Home Owners and Beach Lovers

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## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** John Morse [jsmorse@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2009 3:53 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers.

I am a very longtime resident of Laguna Beach. I do not have a computer. My friend, John Morse, is sending this for me with my permission

I am in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons. Thank you,

Wink Glockner  
South Laguna  
Laguna Beach, Ca. 92651

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** charlotte graham [lglotte@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 10:34 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Chair Replacement

To whom it may concern:

This email is being sent to voice my strong support for the City of Laguna Beach's effort to replace their current lifeguard chairs with enclosed towers on caissons.

Enclosed towers offer far better platforms for lifeguards to perform their surveillance and rescue duties than open lifeguard chairs. They also afford employees much greater sun protection and the safety provided by enclosure. All of these factors can and will lead to overall increased public safety, which is certainly the most important and worthy purpose of this effort.

I urge you to give this project the most serious consideration and your full support.

Yours in lifesaving,

*Charlotte Graham*

Charlotte Graham  
Ocean Lifeguard Specialist, LA County Fire Dept.  
Vice President, California Surf Lifesaving Assoc.  
[cgraham@fire.lacounty.gov](mailto:cgraham@fire.lacounty.gov)

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** RAND GREGORY [lbgregorios@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 6:40 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

My Family and I (Laguna Beach Residents), support replacing the existing Lifeguard chairs with the enclosed towers built on caissons.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rand, Jackie, Luc and Colton Gregory

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Rick Gould [RGOULD@santa-clarita.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 12:28 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Cc:** sdiederich@lbg.org  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Towers

To Whom it May Concern

After 23 years of lifeguarding on the beaches of Santa Cruz, I am now coming to grips with the effects of exposure to the sun and elements, even after I have moved inland. Skin Cancer, ear and sight issues have begun to manifest themselves. Fortunately, the City of Santa Cruz has offered enclosed lifeguard towers for over 40 years and without their protection, my situation would be far worse. Enclosed lifeguard towers are a safety issue for the lifeguard and the ultimately the public they serve, which is the mission of the Coastal Act, public access to the coast.

Please support the request of the City of Laguna Beach for enclosed lifeguard towers. Lifeguards rescue over 70,000 people a year and perform hundreds of thousands of medical aids. It's time to protect them.

Rick Gould  
National Statistics Coordinator, United States Lifesaving Association

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Rick Gould  
**Director of Parks, Recreation, & Community Services**  
**City of Santa Clarita**  
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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** mikeguest @dslextreme.com [mikeguest@dslextreme.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 4:30 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** I support new lifeguard towers in Laguna Beach

I am in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers (on caissons). This is already 2009, and we know that the old lifeguard chairs do not provide adequate protection for the employees.

Mike Guest  
Common Sense Supporter

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** KipKennedy@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 5:48 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach enclosed Lifeguard Towers

To whom it may concern,

You should definitely make sure that the Lifeguards on duty guarding the beaches of Laguna have proper enclosed Lifeguard Towers and not expose the guards to the weather elements in open chairs such as wind, rain, fog, and most importantly the SUN and future skin cancer and melanoma. Every Lifeguard Department in Southern California has enclosed Lifeguard towers to protect their guards from the elements and so should Laguna Beach!!! There should be no question or issues about this.

Regards

Kip Kennedy

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** elskel@aol.com

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 3:26 PM

**To:** Gabriel Buhr

**Subject:** Replacement of Lifeguard Towers - City of Laguna Beach

To Whom It May Concern: As a former City of Laguna Beach Lifeguard and a current resident of Laguna Beach, I am in favor of the new proposed enclosed lifeguard towers, built on the concrete pylons.

Thank You,

Brian Knott -949-422-2090

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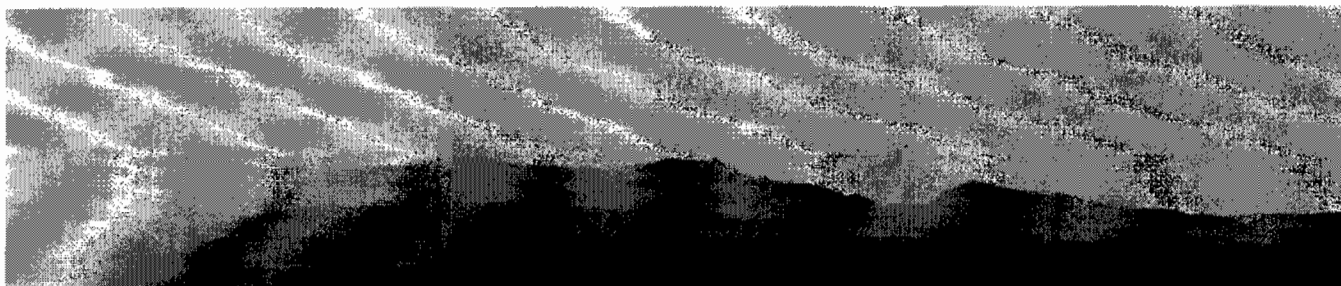
**From:** Caren Kronquist [cckartist@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 9:23 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

Hello!

I am writing in support of the LB Lifeguard's request for permanent towers on 5 Laguna beaches.

Thank you for your help with this project.

Blessings, Caren



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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Randy Lempert [randylempert@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Friday, January 30, 2009 1:37 PM

**To:** Gabriel Buhr

**Subject:** I support Laguna Beach City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons.

**I support Laguna Beach City's  
lifeguard chairs being replaced  
with enclosed towers on  
caissons.**

Regards,  
Randy Lempert

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Lindo, Kyle [KLindo@surfcity-hb.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 9:40 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Lifeguard chairs/towers

I am in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons.

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** pwwerman6@aim.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2009 2:24 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** enclosed lifeguard stands

Having frozen and been sunburned in open lifeguard towers and the fact that the State lifeguards along with LA County all have enclosed towers I can't believe that this is even up for discussion. Why are people's time and money being wasted? Since lifeguards are there to guard the lives of the public why shouldn't they be protected so they can do their job.

Sincerely,

Woody Maxwell  
Laguna Beach Lifeguard 1982-1987

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Morgan McGowan [moman87@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 10:55 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach's lifeguard towers

To Whom it May Concern:

I wish to go on record as in support of the City of Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons. Constant exposure to the sun and the elements that a lifeguard faces in the course of their duties necessitates more shelter than that provided by an open chair. By not providing enclosed towers, the City of Laguna Beach is not meeting the industry standard for open water lifeguards along the California coast. I urge the Coastal Commission to approve this crucial component to employee and public safety. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Morgan McGowan

JGI Morgan McGowan  
City of Huntington Beach  
Marine Safety Division

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Rob McGowan [robmcgowan@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 1:13 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Replacing Laguna Lifeguard Chairs with Enclosed Towers

To Whom it May Concern:

I wish to go on record as in support of the City of Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons. The exposure to the sun and the elements that a lifeguard faces in the course of their duties necessitates more shelter than that provided by an open chair. By not providing an enclosed space for their lifeguards, the City of Laguna Beach is not meeting the industry standard for open water lifeguards in California. I urge the Coastal Commission to approve this crucial component to employee and public safety. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert McGowan

Captain Robert McGowan  
County of Los Angeles Fire Department  
Lifeguard Division Southern Section  
1201 The Strand  
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

President,  
California Surf Lifesaving Association  
[president@cslsa.org](mailto:president@cslsa.org)  
(310) 502-9910

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Lynne Morgan [lynne@frimondlaw.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 12:17 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** [Possible Spam] re: support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers  
**Importance:** Low

Good morning,

I am a twenty seven year resident of Laguna Beach. As a parent of two (four-year) lifeguards in Laguna Beach I **strongly** support this action. Their dermatologist has repeatedly stressed the importance of them being protected from the sun to avoid skin cancer. With today's knowledge of the impact of eight to nine hours of prolonged exposure to intense sun day after day over a long period of time, keeping guards in the old-style chairs is simply irresponsible. I believe *not* approving this measure opens the city to future law suits.

Replacing the old-style chairs has been debated for a long time because of strong lobbying of those who believe that enclosed towers are a detriment to the aesthetics of our beaches. This argument is disingenuous and frankly ridiculous. A clean, enclosed tower demonstrates common sense and responsibility for employees health. Thank you for your consideration.

Lynne Morgan Frimond  
3121 Bern Drive  
Laguna Beach, CA 92651  
949-494-0645

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## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** John Morse [jasmorse@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2009 3:49 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Chairs.

I am a 60 years plus resident of Laguna Beach. I am in complete support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons.

John Morse  
1420 Santa Cruz St.  
Laguna Beach, Ca. 92651



## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** scott.palmer1@cox.net  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 11:48 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** F9 a-e Appeal De Novo Hearing Feb. 4-6, 09 Hearings

To: The California Coastal Commission.

I would like to give my full support to adding five permanent beach lifeguard towers on the following beaches in Laguna Beach: Picnic Beach, Bird Rock Beach (north end of Main Beach), Sleepy Hollow Beach, Thalia Street Beach and Oak Street Beach.

I disagree with the staff in regard to their opposition to Picnic Beach and Bird Rock structures (Appeal numbers A-5-LGB-08-050 and A-5-LGB-08-051). These towers are critical in establishing a higher level of public safety and are certainly consistent with the purview of the Coastal Commission, highest and best use of the coast for the benefit of the people of California.

Respectfully submitted,

Clinton Scott Palmer  
22 Redberry, Irvine, CA 92618

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Rob Patterson [robpatterson1@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 5:16 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** [Possible Spam] Regarding: F9 a-e Appeal De Novo Hearing Feb. 4-6, 09 Hearings  
**Importance:** Low

Dear Sir:

With regard to the F-9 a-e De Novo Hearings

I would like to give my full support to adding five permanent beach lifeguard towers on the following beaches in Laguna Beach: Picnic Beach, Bird Rock Beach (north end of Main Beach), Sleepy Hollow Beach, Thalia Street Beach and Oak Street Beach. I also would like to disagree with the staff in regard to their opposition to Picnic Beach and Bird Rock structures (Appeal numbers A-5-LGB-08-050 and A-5-LGB-08-051).

The minimal footprint of these towers represent is trivial in comparison to the significant public safety and employee protection benefit they provide to those that reside and visit the City of Laguna Beach. We need these towers on all of our beaches to support both the public safety and marine tidal life. These installations provide an environmental benefit that is significant and justifies their support.

Please allow our City to provide for the protection of both human and marine life by the installation of these towers.

In appreciation

Rob Patterson

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** RPhill441@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 31, 2009 11:36 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** lifeguard towers

Dear Sir, I support Pat Sparkhul regarding the placement of the Life Guard towers (5) in Laguna Beach. We desperately have needed this as a safety precaution for all the 40 years I have lived here, raised a family, taught school and now bring my grandson to these beaches. The Life Guards are the most highly regarded members of our beach community. They deserve at least adequate and up graded equipment. This has been a major concern of our citizens, and has been kept under the blanket by people with vested interests. We look to you for affirmation for the health of all the families that frequent these shores Thank you ,  
Sincerely, Patricia Whiteside Phillips

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** jeff quam [jq5of15@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 6:09 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach

Please, it is time the out dated lifeguard towers that were use when I lifeguarded in the 60's and 70's be updated to the enclosed towers on caissons. I bet you anything the persons objecting to the new designs never spent even one hour in one of the old designs. For ocean safety and the health of the lifeguard "in the tower" please approve the new types for all of the beaches in Laguna. Thank you for you consideration, Jeff Quam

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** rwatercolors@netzero.net  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 7:43 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

Dear Coastal Commission,

I am in support of the City of Laguna Beach's old, outdated Lifeguard chairs being replaced with the new, enclosed towers on caissons. The new towers are both safer and provide far more protection to the beach lifeguard. These same towers are also being currently used in several other cities, and should also be aloud in the city of Laguna Beach. Thank you.

Sincerely

Mitch Ridder  
379 Cypress Drive #3  
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** SurfSandy@aol.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 9:08 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Cc:** sdiederich@lbg.org  
**Subject:** Lifeguard towers in Laguna Beach

Dear Coastal Commission,

As someone who has worked for thirty-five years to keep our coast safe, I applaud your mission and your tireless efforts to preserve access to our vital resources, the beach and ocean. I also trust that you will make the correct decisions to ensure the safety of that beach and ocean. Your support of the people of Laguna Beach's efforts to upgrade their lifeguard facilities is therefore essential.

Hard facts from the United States Lifeguard Association show clearly that beaches patrolled by properly trained and equipped lifeguards give beach visitors a million-fold better chance of staying safe. To maintain that safety, the City of Laguna Beach has provided some of the finest lifeguard service in the United States. Please support their efforts to continue this exemplary service.

Respectfully,

Eric W. Sandy  
Sergeant, Community Services Department.  
City of Del Mar.

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** John Slowsky [jslowsky@utopia.la]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 3:41 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Cc:** jslowsky@cox.net  
**Subject:** [Possible Spam] I approve city lifeguard towers  
**Importance:** Low

Dear Sirs,

This email is to inform you of my support for the new lifeguard towers proposed for the City of Laguna Beach Lifeguard Department. I was a lifeguard in Laguna Beach for 5 years and know first hand the value of having experienced watermen protecting the public. I personally was responsible for making 250 rescues over my 5 year seasonal employment. I also know first hand the abuse to one's eyes and skin from the summer's elements. Please consider my email as my vote of support.

Sincerely  
John Slowsky  
City Lifeguard 1969 - 1973

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Paul W. Strickland [pws@thevoyagergroup.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 1:35 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Lifeguard Chairs

I am in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons.  
Thank you,

**Paul W. Strickland**  
Merchandising Director

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Sharon Trager [thetragers64@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 6:03 PM

**To:** Gabriel Buhr

**Subject:** INSTALLATION OF LIFEGUARD CAISSON IN LAGUNA BEACH

I am emailing to state my support for the Laguna Beach Lifeguard Department's new caisson type lifeguard stands. My son, now 41, began lifeguarding in Laguna at the age of 16. He is now a Laguna lifeguard supervisor. He was diagnosed with melanoma 6 years ago. I wish these stands had been available those years when he sat on the beach day after day. Please support the use of these lifeguard stands in Laguna. Thank You

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** John Trevino [john.trevino@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 8:23 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Cc:** Joshua Bynum; John Trevino; kathleen@kathleengivens.com; pcollins25@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

Dear California Coastal Commission,

For both public and employee safety reasons, we are in support of the City of Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons. We hope you'll consider approving this change.

Thank you,  
Kerry Trevino  
Laguna Beach Resident and Home Owner.

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## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** jackt@email.arizona.edu  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 31, 2009 4:16 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Coastal Comission Support For Lifeguard Towers

I am in support of Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons. Jack Turner

**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Turner, Jim [JTurner@NBFD.net]

**Sent:** Friday, January 30, 2009 10:45 AM

**To:** Gabriel Buhr

**Subject:** Supporting Laguna Beach's replacement of open lifeguard chairs with enclosed towers

I am in support of Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons.

They provide better safety for the employee, lower worker's comp claims in the future and they keep

The lifeguard protected from the elements providing a more refreshed and alert employee to see and

Respond to swimmers in distress.

It is very difficult to stay alert watching the water for hours at a time when the sun drains you of your energy.

Thank you,

Jim Turner

1 Giverny

Newport Coast, CA. 92657

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Nadine Turner [nadineturner3@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 30, 2009 10:39 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs

I am in support of Laguna Beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with enclosed towers on caissons.  
Thank you  
Nadine Turner  
1 Giverny  
Newport Coast, CA 92657

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Charlie Ware [cware@ranchomv.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2009 8:39 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard chair replacement project

As a former lifeguard I urge you to support the installation of lifeguard enclosed towers with caissons in Laguna Beach. I know that if I had these towers to escape the harsh sun exposure and elements when I guarded over 30 years ago, I would not be dealing with the numerous basil cell cancer skin intrusions today. These new towers that have been installed in several locations already are very effective and are designed to fit the beach environment very well. Again please approve the project so that the lifeguards can best serve the public and enjoy a better work environment.

Charles Ware  
Laguna Niguel, Ca.

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Paul Wawrzynski [pawawrzy@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 1:02 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

Good Afternoon,

As the Marine Safety Chief for the City of Long Beach Fire Department Marine Safety Division I have over 35 years of experience in the field of Ocean Lifeguarding.

It has come to my attention that the City of Laguna Beach is in the process of replacing the Lifeguard chairs with enclosed towers on caissons.

Providing adequate platforms for Ocean Lifeguards to perform their jobs is an important component of all Lifeguard and Marine Safety Agencies to ensure the Lifeguard has the most advantageous view of the water, with the ability to protect the lifeguard from the elements of the sun and wind.

I am in support of the City's program to replace the lifeguard chairs with enclosed towers on caissons.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Paul Wawrzynski  
Marine Safety Chief  
Long Beach Fire Department  
(562) 570-1287

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Ed [Ed@Ghormleylaw.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 4:16 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

To Whom It May Concern:

It has been brought to my attention that you will be holding a hearing with regard to whether or not to approve the replacement of lifeguard chairs (aka cancer boxes) with enclosed towers on caissons. I vehemently support this endeavor. Lifeguards should not be exposed to the elements (especially the sun) for prolonged periods for myriad reasons, not least of which is the threat of developing skin cancer. Further, the proposed--and already installed--towers are aesthetically appealing.

In short, I support the city's lifeguard chairs being replaced with towers on caissons.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ed Wilson

J. Edward Wilson, Esq.  
Ghormley & Associates, APC.  
18301 Von Karman Ave., Suite 470  
Irvine, CA 92612  
(949) 757-1440 x22  
(949) 271-5570 Fax

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Cara Winfield [carawinfield@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 2:28 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguards

To Whom it may concern,  
I would like to voice my concern regarding the welfare of our lifeguards. I am in support of the City's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons. We rely on our lifeguards to supply a very important service, to protect our beaches and the beach goers. By providing enclosed towers and protecting the Guards from the elements (sun, wind, rain) I believe our lifeguards will be able to better serve our community.

Thank you for your time,  
Cara Winfield

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** walt winfield [walterwinfield@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2009 7:39 PM

**To:** Gabriel Buhr

**Subject:** laguna beach lifeguard towers

I am in support of the city of laguna beach's lifeguard chairs being replaced with the enclosed towers on caissons  
thank you walter winfield

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## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** stacy yelland [yellandstacy@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 9:27 AM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr; ttrager@lagunabeachcity.net  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter in regards to this Friday's meeting involving the potential replacement of Laguna's enclosed lifeguard towers.

Having grown up in Laguna Beach, I am familiar with both the current lifeguard towers as well as the previous chairs. I am also married to a former Laguna Beach lifeguard, and the sister of a current Lieutenant guard.

When the city chose to install the new towers I was relieved. For many years the young lifeguards of Laguna were forced to sit in the baking summer sun, day after day. No sun umbrella or sunscreen can offer sufficient protection from the sun's heat and rays, especially when a guard is exposed for more than seven hours per day.

Other cities have also chosen to install more protective towers for their guards; Laguna's towers are miniature in comparison with those of Los Angeles county, where I now reside. The funky old red chairs of the city's past are a fond memory of Laguna residents, and it took many people a while to adjust to the new aesthetic of the towers. But with the literal safety of the city's men and women at stake, it seems ridiculous that a few selfish people may have the power to reverse what has been a necessary evolution, the change to enclosed towers on caissons.

When my brother was first diagnosed with malignant melanoma at the age of 34, I could not help but think about those old red chairs, about all those days he sat unprotected while providing protection for others. It is the least we can do for the city's lifeguards, who put their own lives on the line for others. Let's provide them with adequate safety and comfort while on the job.

Thank you for your time.

Stacy Yelland  
Venice, CA

## Gabriel Buhr

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**From:** Richard Yelland [richardy@curtisbirch.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2009 3:19 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Subject:** Enclosed Towers Protect Life Guards

**Importance:** High

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed lifeguard towers for Laguna Beach are an absolute must. We should not put the whims of aesthetics above the health of our valuable personnel.

Laguna Beach lifeguards save lives. Enclosed towers save their lives.

Tom Trager a lieutenant lifeguard Laguna Beach had a malignant tumor found dangerously near his vital glands on his throat. Former Chief Klosterman had to leave the beach because he couldn't take any more boats with skin cancer. There are many similar stories like this. Enclosed towers will help prevent such a proliferation of skin cancer on the Laguna Beach lifeguard force.

Thank you,

Richard Yelland  
Laguna Beach Lifeguard 1984-1991

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**Gabriel Buhr**

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**From:** Cogorno Gary [gcogo@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 01, 2009 9:24 PM  
**To:** Gabriel Buhr  
**Cc:** Cogorno Gary  
**Subject:** Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

**To: The California Coastal Commission.**

**Regarding: F9 a-e Appeal De Novo Hearing Feb. 4-6, 09 Hearings**

**I would like to give my full support to adding five permanent beach lifeguard towers on the following beaches in Laguna Beach: Picnic Beach, Bird Rock Beach (north end of Main Beach), Sleepy Hollow Beach, Thalia Street Beach and Oak Street Beach.**

**I disagree with the staff in regard to their opposition to Picnic Beach and Bird Rock structures (Appeal numbers A-5-LGB-08-050 and A-5-LGB-08-051).**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Gary Cogorno  
341 Cypress Dr  
Laguna Beach, Ca  
92651**

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**\*Staff Note\***

**A total of 17 individuals submitted emails consisting of the same form letter contained in this message in support of the proposed lifeguard towers.**

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January 28, 2009, 10:30 a.m.

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Location of communication:

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Person(s) initiating communication:

Maggy Herbelin, ORCA Representative

Person(s) receiving communication:

Bonnie Neely

Name or description of project:

Agenda Items F9a-e – Lifeguard Tower Appeal, Orange County

Detailed substantive description of content of communication:

(If communication included written material, attach a copy of the complete text of the written material.)

Ms Herbelin states that ORCA has concerns regarding lifeguard stations being permanent and that up until now, life guard stations were removable and the station is only there when the beaches are being used by the public.

Date: January 28, 2009.

  
Signature of Commissioner

If the communication was provided at the same time to staff as it was provided to a Commissioner, the communication is not ex parte and this form does not need to be filled out.

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*Appeal # A5-468-047-051*

Name or description of project, LPC, etc.:

*A-5-L6B-07-107 Laguna Beach*

Date and time of receipt of communication:

*2/2/09*

Location of communication:

*telephone call / La Jolla, Ca.*

Type of communication (letter, facsimile, etc.):

*telephone*

Person(s) Initiating communication:

*Sandra Stanic*

Detailed substantive description of content of communication:  
(Attach a copy of the complete text of any written material received.)

*Against the permanent towers, we are for temporary  
towers. Life guards min 3 months a year these  
towers (June to Sept). Last 40 years the city  
has had temporary towers. This application is for  
5 towers, but what they want 30 towers. This  
creates a bad precedent for the whole state.  
We do not support any of these permanent towers.*

*2/2/09*  
Date

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commissioner

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Person(s) initiating communication:

Sandra Siani, Appellant

Person(s) receiving communication:

Nancy Hampton, Staff Person for  
Bonnie Neely

Name or description of project

F9a - e: Laguna Beach Lifeguard Towers

Detailed substantive description of content of communication: (If communication included written material, attach a copy of the complete text of the written material)

Ms. Siani said she was told by Coastal Commission staff that whenever there is a choice between permanent or temporary structures on the beach, they would always choose temporary. But, here the Commission is considering approving permanent lifeguard towers on Laguna Beaches which requires drilling through bedrock, a cement casement, and fiberglass topped structures 12 months out of the year when they will only be used from June - September. Laguna Beach says there is too much sand erosion to use temporary structures, and shifting sand will make towers crooked and unsafe. Ms Siani has alternate designs for temporary lifeguard towers with adjustable legs that would correct any leaning from shifting sand. These alternative designs meet OSHA standards, viewing, access, and erosion standards. Ms. Siani has 9 years of wave records from CDIP showing that during June - September, sand erosion is not a problem anyway. She also has pictures showing that there is easy access to set up temporary towers as they have been doing it for years - access has never been a problem. Siani believes City of Laguna Beach is pushing this approval hard because they have pre-purchased the permanent lifeguard towers and has copies of City budgets back to 2002 showing allocations of money for this purpose. Commissioners need to realize that granting these permits not only sets a precedent in the state of California for permanent lifeguard towers, but is also permitting a total of 30 of these towers as the request is accumulative - 5 more towers will be added for the next five years. Ms Siani questions the need for permanent structures when temporary have been satisfactory for over 40 years, are used on the rest of CA beaches, and meet all criteria and needs.

2-2-2009

Date

*Bonnie Neely*  
Signature of Commissioner



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January 21, 2009

Item #: F9a-e  
Permit A-5-GB-08-047 thru  
A-5-LGB-08-051  
Hearing Date: Feb 6, 2009

Mrs. Gabriel Buhr  
Coastal Program Analyst  
South Coast District Office  
California Coastal Commission  
PO Box 1450  
200 Oceangate, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Long Beach, Ca 90802-4416

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Re: City of Laguna Beach and Proposed Lifeguard Headquarters and "elevated permanent lifeguard chairs".

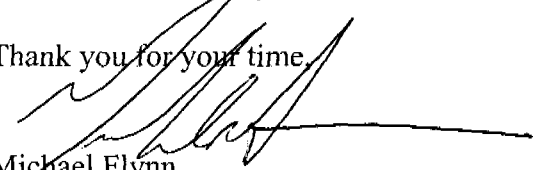
Dear Mrs. Buhr,

First, I would like to address one of the obvious facts regarding this issue, the city of Laguna Beach HAS ALREADY INSTALLED AT LEAST ONE OF THESE NEW PERMANENT LIFEGUARD CHAIRS, fairly long ago. These structures are a blithe on the public beach and my property, the Villas, a property listed on the historical list of historical structures. In addition, the City of Laguna Beach has been and continues to issue Notices which are inaccurate, misleading and confusing to the public.

The addition of these permanent structures, will have an impact during winter months on sand migration and the like, in addition to the obvious issues around large cement columns being (have been) sunk into the coastal zone.

I have also attached the following letters in regards to the proposed lifeguard headquarters project. Please request copies of the numerous notices from the city, I only have my letters in regards to each notice, inaccurate first EIR and the like.

Thank you for your time.

  
Michael Flynn  
714-915-0705  
PO Box 2745  
Rancho Santa Fe, Ca 92067

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California Coastal Commission  
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RE: Consolidated Permit/DE NOVO APPEAL  
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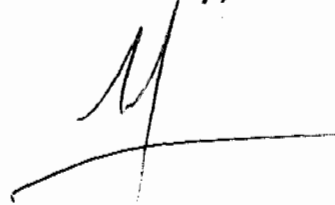
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As the permit request failed to specify the construction specifics of the requested tower installations...:

- We are in favor of the proposed towers if they are constructed out of welded aluminum tubing with substantially nowhere to hide under them.
- We are opposed to any structure which creates an actual "building" on the beach. Anything more than a frame with a chair on top would constitute a building. Anyplace that somebody might be able to hide behind, or break into and/or sleep under would constitute a building. We categorically reject any new buildings being placed on our beaches.

Thank you for taking the time to contact us on this matter.

Sincerely,



Steven Jenison  
845 South Coast Blvd  
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

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