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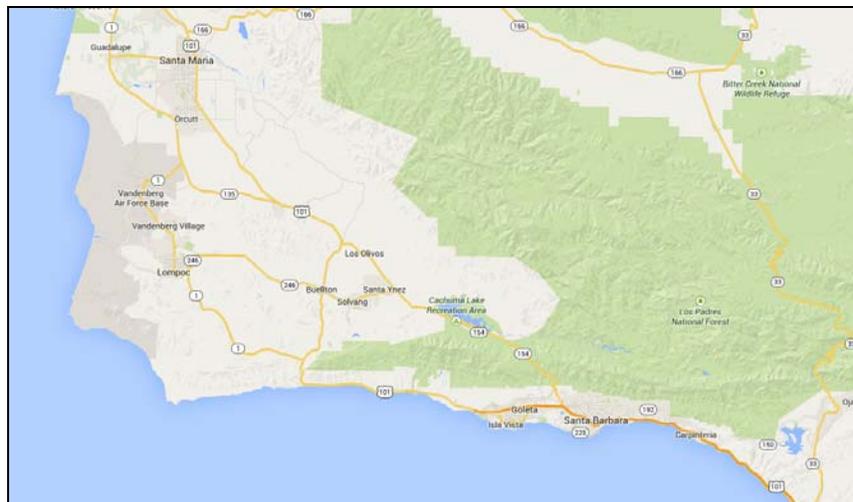
FROM: Charles Lester, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Executive Director's Report, April, 2014 (Santa Barbara)

Significant reporting items for the month. [Strategic Plan](#) (SP) reference provided where applicable:

LCP Program Status – Santa Barbara County (SP Goal 4)

There are 5 LCP jurisdictions in Santa Barbara County: the Cities of Guadalupe, Goleta, Santa Barbara, and Carpinteria; and the County of Santa Barbara, including the Channel Islands. The County of Santa Barbara's LCP was certified in 1982, though it includes the Channel Islands Area of Deferred Certification (ADC). The County's LCP was partially updated in 2004. The County is currently working on a Master Plan update for the community of Isla Vista, as well as a plan for the Gaviota Coast. The City of Carpinteria was also certified in 1982, and the Land Use Plan (LUP) was updated in 2002 and 2005. The City of Santa Barbara LCP was certified in 1986, and partially updated in 1996. The Commission awarded the City an LCP grant of \$123,000 in January, 2014 to work on an LCP update, including an emphasis on addressing climate change and sea level rise. The City of Guadalupe LCP was certified in 1991 (not updated). The City of Goleta, which was incorporated in 2002, is working on LCP certification, supported by a Commission LCP grant of \$125,000 awarded in January, 2014 (projected completion 2016). Finally, Santa Barbara County includes the University of California, Santa Barbara, which is currently working on a comprehensive update of the UCSB Long Range Development Plan (LRDP), which should come to the Commission in 2014.



Staff Training Activities (SP 7.7.2-4)

Commission staff completed Part 1 of a state-required supervisory training. The training consisted of three days of active participation working with a range of management tools and issues. The training was presented by Rosalind Carol, M.A., from the CPS HR Training Center. All Senior Staff (Executive Team, Managers, and Supervisors) participated in this excellent training. Part 2 (two days) will be completed by the end of April. Management is planning additional training for non-supervisory staff.

Meetings, Presentations, and Outreach

- On March 25th the Executive Director presented a keynote address at the annual conference of the Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP) in Huntington Beach. The Conference program is linked [here](#).
- **Upcoming Meeting on Fracking (SP 7.2.6).** On Friday, April 11, 2014 at 10 AM in Santa Barbara, the Assembly Select Committee on Coastal Protection will hold a hearing on “Offshore Well Stimulation and Fracking” to frame the problem of threats to coastal marine environments, gain a better understanding of jurisdiction and authority over offshore well stimulation, and discuss strategies to provide better oversight going forward. Alison Dettmer, the Coastal Commission’s Deputy Director for Energy, Ocean Resources and Federal Consistency, will provide testimony on behalf of the Commission. The meeting will be held in the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, Santa Barbara County Administration Building, 105 E. Anapamu St. Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

Budget Update

- On March 20th, Commission staff participated on a panel presentation of the state coastal management agencies to the Senate’s Budget Subcommittee No. 2, with a focus on climate change and sea level rise. Chair Kinsey attended and testified at the hearing along with staff. Handouts for the hearing that summarize the Commission’s major issues and concerns are available [here](#). The subcommittee voted to continue the \$3 million LCP funding for 5 years. The budget committee staff recommendation is linked [here](#).
- Please see Budget Report (March 28, 2014) and Addendum (April 8, 2014) – Item W6b, linked [here](#).