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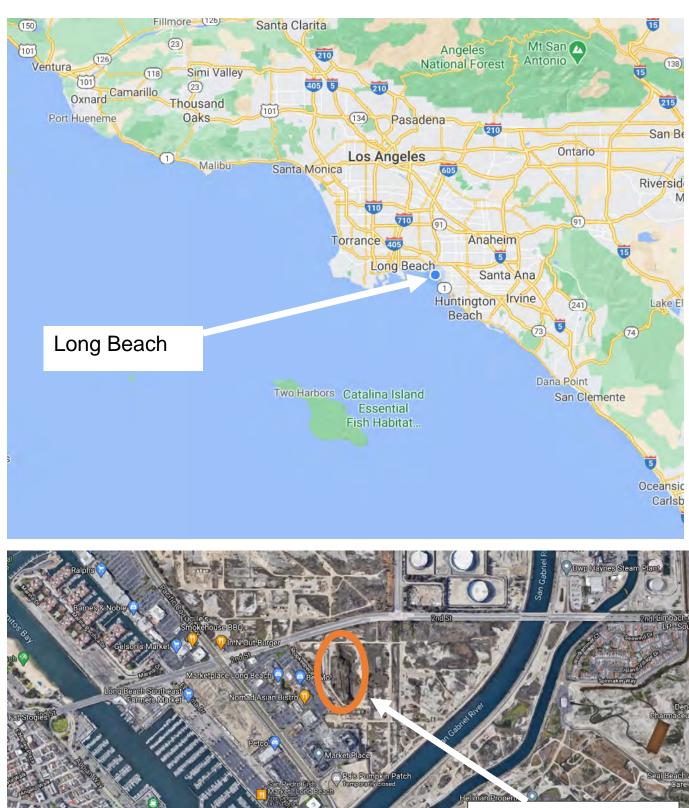
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## 5-20-0017 (CITY OF LONG BEACH)

# **DECEMBER 10, 2020**

#### **EXHIBITS**

- Exhibit 1 Vicinity Map
- Exhibit 2 -- Site Plan
- Exhbit 3 -- Construction Access Plan
- Exhibit 4 -- Letter from LA County Vector
- Exhibit 5 -- Southern Tarplant Locations Adjacent to Marsh
- Exhibit 6 -- Site Photos



Marketplace Marsh



Figure 2, below, shows the plan for vegetation removal and control.



### Crane Staging for Tule Removal at Marketplace Marsh, Long Beach, CA



Access Road for Crane

Figure 2. Crane Staging for Tule Removal.

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May 18, 2020

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Re: The Los Cerritos Wetlands Market Place Marsh Vegetation Management for Mosquito Prevention

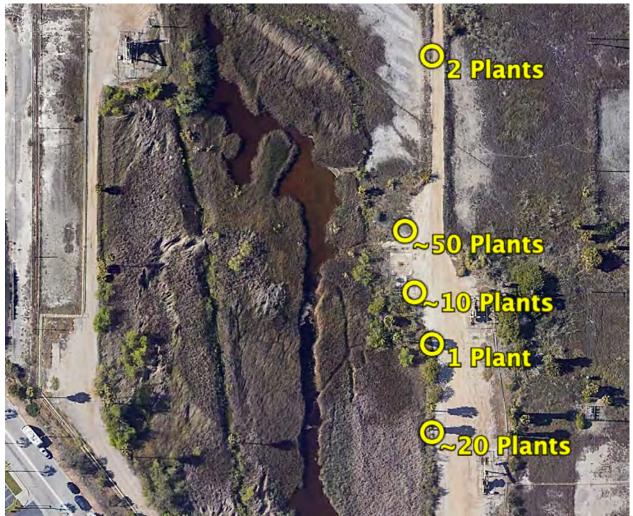
Dear Mr. Vallejo:

I'm writing to reinforce the importance that the vegetation management plan incorporated in the streambed alteration agreement approved by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for the Market Place Marsh at Los Cerritos is enacted this year. Last year the District struggled managing the mosquito population at the marsh and we were fortunate to have a very low West Nile virus year in the Los Angeles basin. However, this has been a strange weather year with the bulk of our rain coming later than normal. The late rains have brought the water levels up in the marsh expanding the breeding area and with the extreme overgrowth of emergent vegetation, primarily cattail and bulrush, our control activities will be even more difficult than last year.

We prefer to manage the vegetation cooperatively with all agencies involved with the hopes of getting ahead of any virus activity that may appear at the marsh. Now that CDFW has provided a streambed alteration agreement to manage the emergent vegetation, all that is needed to proceed is permitting from the California Coastal Commission. We sincerely hope the Coastal Commission will issue permitting before the District has to declare the site a health hazard and force abatement. Again, we prefer to work cooperatively, but ultimately the risk to public health will dictate the District's actions. Please let me know if there is anything the District may be able to help with to secure the remaining permits moving this project forward.

Sincerely,

Mark Hall Urban Water Program Manager Greater Los Angeles Vector Control District



**Figure 3.** Locations of five small populations of Southern Tarplant (*Centromadia parryi* ssp. *australis*) observed on the east side of Marketplace Marsh on May 14, 2020. All populations lie outside of the limits of disturbance for the proposed project.



**Photo 1.** View from the southern shore of the marsh, facing north.

Photo: Robert A. Hamilton, 5/7/20.

**Photo 2.** View from the southeastern shore of the marsh, facing northwest.

Photo: Robert A. Hamilton, 5/7/20.





**Photo 3.** View from the northeastern shore of the marsh, facing southwest.

Photo: Robert A. Hamilton, 5/7/20.