



Special Hearing Procedures

Poseidon Water Permit and Appeal for the Huntington Beach Desalination Facility

Application 9-21-0488/Appeal A-5-HNB-10-225
Item 9a & 10a, Thursday, May 12, 2022
(please check www.coastal.ca.gov for updates)

Hearing Schedule and Order of Speakers

1. **Coastal Commission Staff Presentation:** approximately 30 minutes.
2. **Poseidon Presentation:** 30 minutes total, including time for rebuttal.
3. **Elected Officials and Tribal Representatives:** up to 3 minutes each.
4. **Public Agency Representatives:** up to 3 minutes each.
5. **Established Organizations:** up to 2 minutes for each speaker present, for a maximum of 5 minutes for each organization. Multi-organization coordinated presentations may get more time at the discretion of the chair. Total for all Established Organizations is no more than 2 hours.
6. Individual Members of the Public: up to 2 minutes each.
7. Poseidon Rebuttal (if rebuttal time was saved)
8. Coastal Commission Staff Response to Public Testimony
9. Coastal Commission Deliberations

Note: Other than individual members of the public, speakers in these categories must coordinate with Commission staff at ExecutiveStaff@coastal.ca.gov no later than 5pm on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 to verify status to speak in this category. Although some people may qualify to speak in more than one category, each person may speak only once during the hearing, including in relation to video testimony. See additional specific rules for each category below under "Hearing Rules".

Hearing Rules

1. Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Hearing. This Coastal Commission meeting will occur in a hybrid format, with public participation allowed both virtually through video and/or teleconference and in person. The Coastal Commission will be using the video conferencing service, Zoom, to provide virtual participation in the meeting and allow for remote public participation. Applicants and the public will be able to listen to and watch the meeting and comment by Zoom conference or by telephone, or in person at the hearing location. If you want to testify at the meeting, please review the Coastal Commission's Virtual Hearing Procedures for directions on how to participate ([click here](#)).

This virtual meeting is also being webcast and can be viewed online at the Cal-span website (at cal-span.org). If you have access to the internet and you want to watch or listen to the meeting only, and not to speak on an item, please use the Cal-span website.

2. Elected Official and Tribal Representative Testimony. Speakers in this category are: (1) Tribal representatives; (2) officials elected to state or federal office; and (3) officials elected to City Councils, County Boards of Supervisors, or Public Water Districts who are authorized to present the position of the City, County, or Water District they represent. All speakers must submit a speaker request using the following link ([click here](#)). Speakers in this category must coordinate with Commission staff at ExecutiveStaff@coastal.ca.gov no later than 5pm on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 to verify status to speak in this category.

3. Public Agency Representative Testimony. Speakers in this category are representatives of any other federal, state, or local public agencies who are authorized to present the position of that agency. All speakers must submit a speaker request using the following link ([click here](#)). Speakers in this category must coordinate with Commission staff at ExecutiveStaff@coastal.ca.gov no later than 5pm on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 to verify status to speak in this category.

4. Established Organization Testimony. Speakers in this category are representatives of established groups with a known interest in the proposed Poseidon project. Speakers in this category must coordinate with Commission staff at ExecutiveStaff@coastal.ca.gov no later than 12pm on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 to verify status to speak in this category. Each established organization will be allowed up to 5 speakers, for a combined total of up to 10 minutes. If one speaker representing an organization is going to speak for more than 2 minutes, there must be other non-speaking members of the organization also signed up to speak and present at the time of testimony, otherwise the speaker is allotted 2 minutes. Organizations are allowed to use visual aids, including videos, as long as the visual aids can be accommodated within the allotted time frame, and videos may feature speakers who are not in attendance as part of their allotted time. All organization members who either intend to testify as part of the organization or to be present to allow additional minutes for the one designated speaker must submit a speaker request using the following link ([click here](#)), noting that you are part of an established organization, listing its name, and identifying whether you will be speaking or will be present (but not speaking) to allow time for the one speaker. If you speak as part of an established organization, or you are present as part of that organization to allow additional minutes for a designated speaker, you may not also testify as an individual.

5. Individual Members of the Public Testimony. If you don't qualify and/or don't wish to speak in the above categories, then you may speak as an individual. Individual speakers will be allotted 2 minute each. Individual speakers are not allowed to use visual aids such as photos, PowerPoints or video. Ceding of time from one individual to another will not be accommodated at this hearing. All speakers must submit a speaker request using the following link ([click here](#)).

6. Translation. Simultaneous Spanish translation will be available during the hearing for this item. If you are attending the hearing in person and need translation services, please check in with staff at the speaker sign up table. Any speaker signed up to testify and requiring translation will be allowed double the allotted time, and any allowed videos featuring non-English speakers will be allotted additional time for translation.

7. Speaker Requests Required Prior to Start of Hearing. If you intend to testify, you must submit a speaker request ([click here](#)). Speaker requests will be accepted up until the time that Commission staff begin their presentation on the item. However, to facilitate management of the meeting, we

strongly encourage anyone wishing to speak to submit a request to speak by 5pm on Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

8. Visual Aids. If you are speaking in a category that allows visual aids and intend to use one (e.g., a PowerPoint or a video), please review the directions for how to submit such visual aid in the Coastal Commission's Virtual Hearing Procedures ([click here](#)). You must email your visual aid in a file no larger than 40MB no later than 5pm on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 to Materials@coastal.ca.gov. Each file name must include your name and/or affiliation and the item number (i.e., "Th9a & 10 Poseidon – presentation for [your name and elected body/Tribe/public agency/established organization name]").

9. Written Comments. To submit written materials to the Commission for consideration regarding this matter, please send by email to HuntingtonBeachDesalComments@coastal.ca.gov by 5pm on Friday, May 6, 2022. All materials on this item received before 5pm on Friday, May 6, 2022 will be included in the Correspondence packet for this item and posted on the Commission's webpage with the staff report.

10. Decorum. The Chair of the Commission will maintain decorum during the meeting as is customary in public meetings. People who are disruptive may be removed from the remote meeting service or have their connection muted.

11. Chair Discretion to Modify These Procedures. To preserve adequate time for Commission deliberations, the Chair of the Coastal Commission reserves the right to close the public hearing (i.e., to stop taking testimony from the public) after a reasonable opportunity has been provided to present all questions and points of view, and further reserves the right to adjust these hearing procedures as necessary. We recognize that there is a great deal of interest in this matter, and we expect the hearing to be well attended and to last most of the day. The above procedures have been developed with that in mind, and to help maximize the ability of the public to participate in the proceedings as much as possible. We look forward to your attendance and participation.