

# Memorandum



Date: September 19, 2016

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Glenn Russell, PhD. Director, Planning and Development

Re: Gordon Sand Company appeal of the County Planning Commission's approval of the Shell Guadalupe Dunes Gravel Remediation In-Lieu Proposal Project, Item D-3 on September 20, 2016

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This appeal is currently scheduled as Item D-3 on your Board's September 20, 2016 agenda.

As the appellant, Gordon Sand Company's counsel, Mr. Peter Candy, has requested a continuance of this item to the next available Santa Maria hearing date. Mr. Candy states in an email to Planning and Development that the In-Lieu Project affects North County residents primarily, particularly the citizens of the City of Guadalupe, and that Santa Maria is the more appropriate venue for the appeal hearing. The next available hearing in Santa Maria would be November 1, 2016.

The applicant, Shell E&P, has requested to move forward with the September 20, 2016 hearing, as scheduled. Shell states that their representatives have made travel arrangements to attend from out of state and will be in attendance at tomorrow's hearing. Shell has also arranged for local counsel to attend the hearing. Shell states that changes to the schedule with such short notice would present an undue hardship to them as the applicant.

If the hearing goes forward on September 20 as now scheduled, interested parties will have the opportunity to participate and provide testimony from the Santa Maria hearing room.

The Board of Supervisors has the discretion to hold the hearing as scheduled or continue the hearing to a future date.