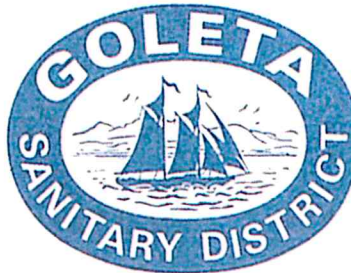


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VIA EMAIL

August 18, 2017

Joan Hartman, Chair
County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: Goleta Beach Rock Revetment

Dear Chair Hartman,

The Goleta Sanitary District owns and maintains a sewer outfall line that runs through Goleta Beach Park. This outfall line serves approximately 80,000 residents throughout the Goleta valley area from Highway 154 to Tecolote Canyon. Severe erosion from last year's winter storm events damaged the outfall's cathodic protection system and exposed the outfall line access vault. The District placed rock rip rap in front of the exposed vault as an emergency protective measure. The County took similar action by placing rock revetment along the remaining stretches of Goleta Beach Park to protect existing improvements from erosion damage.

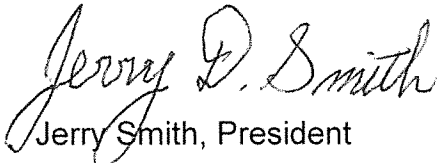
The District has been working closely with County staff on developing a long-range plan to protect the District's outfall line improvements at Goleta Beach Park. To this end the District has completed a preliminary analysis of relocating the outfall access vault further landward away from the active beach erosion zone. The total cost of relocating the vault is estimated to be approximately \$3,000,000. This cost will be shared with the District's contract entities in accordance with existing funding agreements. However, in order to complete this project, the District will need time to develop a funding plan, complete final design, perform environmental review and obtain various regulatory permits.

On August 22, 2017, your Board will be considering several options related to future disposition of the rock revetment placed to protect Goleta Beach Park improvements. One alternative considered in the Board letter is the removal of the rock revetment in the vicinity of the District's outfall line access vault. The District is strongly opposed to

this option as removing the rock revetment could expose the District's outfall line access vault to further damage in the near future and potentially threaten public health and the environment.

For these reasons, the District's Board of Directors support staff's recommendation to retain the existing rock revetment at Goleta Beach Park while other options to increase sediment deposition at Goleta Beach are further evaluated by all agencies and the California Coastal Commission. Doing so would provide for the continued protection of this critical facility and give the District the time needed to relocate the access vault away from the active beach erosion zone. We hope you will consider this in the deliberations at the Board. I am available to speak with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jerry D. Smith".

Jerry Smith, President
Goleta Sanitary District Board of Directors

cc. Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
George Chapjian, Director, County Community Services Department
Jane Gray, Dudek