# NOTICE OF PROPOSED ASSESSMENT AND BALLOT PROCEDURES AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

## CONCERNING LEVY OF 2016-17 ASSESSMENT FOR SANDYLAND SEAWALL REPAIR AND THE ONGOING ASSESSMENT FOR SANDYLAND SEAWALL REPAIR

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara will hold a public hearing to consider the levy of assessments within the Sandyland Seawall Maintenance District No. 1 (hereinafter "the District") to finance seawall repair.

The public hearing will be held in the Supervisors' Hearing Room on the fourth floor of 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California, at the following date and time:

## PUBLIC HEARING: November 15, 2016 AT APPROXIMATELY 9:00 A.M.

## **Estimate of Cost and Apportionment of Assessment**

Sandyland Seawall Maintenance District No. 1 was formed in 1964 by the Board of Supervisors. The District is administered by the County of Santa Barbara, with expenses for operating and maintaining the seawall assessed upon real property lying within the District. Homeowners have asked the County to perform seawall repair, and to levy an assessment to finance the repair. The proposed 2016-2017assessment is for the cost of environmental review for proposed seawall maintenance.

The Engineer's Report of the proposed assessment chargeable to the District for fiscal year 2016-2017 is \$751,000, divided among the 26 parcels within the District, as shown in the <u>Engineer's Report</u>. The 2016-2017 assessment amount for each parcel is based on the length of the seawall frontage proposed to be repaired on that parcel. The enclosed ballot shows the proposed 2016-2017 assessment for your property. The assessments are payable in two installments (due in November and April of each year), as part of the combined tax bill payments to the County of Santa Barbara.

## Protest against Proposed Assessment

Each record owner of property in the District may submit a ballot in support of or in opposition to the proposed assessments. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will tabulate the ballots submitted, and not withdrawn. The proposed assessment shall not be imposed if the ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, with ballots weighted by the dollar amount of the proposed 2016-2017 assessment to be imposed on the property for which each ballot was submitted.

# <u>Summary of Procedures for Completion, Return and</u> <u>Tabulation of Assessment Ballots</u>

Included with this notice is an assessment ballot that includes a place where the person returning the ballot may indicate his or her support of or opposition to the proposed assessments. Each assessment ballot shall be signed by the record owner of the property identified therein and mailed or otherwise delivered to the address indicated on the assessment ballot. Complete instructions are on the back of the assessment ballot. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will tabulate the assessment ballots submitted, and not withdrawn, in support of or in opposition to the proposed assessment. The assessment shall not be imposed if the ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, with ballots weighted according to the fiscal year 2016-2017 proportional financial obligation of the affected property.

# Whom to Contact to Obtain Additional Information

To obtain additional information about the proposed assessment, write Mr. Morgan Jones, Public Works Transportation Division, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California, 93101, or call Mr. Morgan Jones at (805) 568-3059.

(This notice to be sent by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested, in late September 2016)

#### PROPOSED SANDYLAND SEAWALL ASSESSMENT-COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

### INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING COMPLETION AND RETURN OF ASSESSMENT BALLOT

In order to complete and submit the enclosed ballot (on the other side of these instructions), you must follow these steps:

- 1. Review the Certificate of Entitlement. Before completing the ballot, be sure that you meet the entitlement requirements pertaining to the property identified in the ballot. If you do not meet the entitlement requirements, please forward the assessment ballot to someone who does meet those requirements.
- 2. If you meet the entitlement requirements, please sign your name in the space provided and print or type your name in the space provided. The assessment ballot will be void and will not be tabulated unless the Certificate of Entitlement is executed by the person completing the assessment ballot.
- 3. To vote on the assessment ballot, fill in only one of the squares provided.
- 4. Fold and insert the assessment ballot into the enclosed return envelope, and seal the return envelope. Return this envelope by mail or in person to the address provided below prior to 9:00 a.m. on November 15, 2016, or deliver the return envelope and the assessment ballot to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at the public hearing to be held at about 9:00 a.m. on November 15, 2016 in the County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room.

# POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED IN LIEU OF ACTUAL DELIVERY BY THE TIME STATED.

#### YOU MAY VOTE AND MAIL OR DELIVER YOUR OFFICIAL ASSESSMENT BALLOT TO: CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA 105 EAST ANAPAMU STREET, ROOM 407 SANTA BARBARA, CA 93101

#### LOST, SPOILED, OR DAMAGED BALLOTS:

If you have lost, spoiled, or damaged your assessment ballot, please call Mr. Morgan Jones at the telephone number set forth below for information on how you may obtain a replacement assessment ballot.

# IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE INSTRUCTIONS OR THE ASSESSMENT BALLOT PROCEDURE, PLEASE CONTACT:

MR. MORGAN JONES, COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, PUBLIC WORKS TRANSPORTATION DIV., 123 E. ANAPAMU ST, SANTA BARBARA (805) 568-3056