## Lee-Rodriguez, Nicole

From:Allen, Michael (COB)Sent:Friday, July 02, 2010 1:59 PMTo:Lee-Rodriguez, NicoleSubject:FW: Goleta Beach 2.0 support letterSurfriderFoundation Letter Re: Goleta Beach 2.0

From: Wolf, Janet
Sent: Friday, July 02, 2010 1:00 PM
To: 'sandy lejeune'
Cc: Allen, Michael (COB)
Subject: RE: Goleta Beach 2.0 support letter

Thank you Sandy. I am forwarding this to the Clerk of the Board. Janet

From: sandy lejeune [mailto:sandy.lejeune@gmail.com] Sent: Friday, July 02, 2010 5:45 AM To: Wolf, Janet Subject: Goleta Beach 2.0 support letter

Dear Supervisor Wolf,

Attached please find a corrected copy of our chapter's letter supporting Goleta Beach 2.0, which your Board will consider at its July 6 hearing. A copy of this letter is being sent to each of the other Supervisors, and I am also including the letter in the body of this email below.

Santa Barbara Surfrider firmly supports Goleta Beach 2.0 as the best means of ensuring future preservation of Goleta Beach Park and protection of its beautiful beach. Surfrider Santa Barbara is grateful for your strong voice in favor of protecting our area's vital coastline. We hope that we can count on your leadership to move this important project forward.

Please note that a hard copy of a previous version of this letter was sent by U.S. Mail to your office yesterday afternoon. The attached copy of our letter supersedes the hard copy sent to you, and should be used as part of the permanent record on Goleta Beach 2.0.

Thank you very much,

Sandy

Sandy Lejeune Chair, Santa Barbara Chapter Surfrider Foundation

July 1, 2010

Janet Wolf, Chair Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors 105 East Anapamu Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Chair Wolf,

As chair of the Santa Barbara chapter of the Surfrider Foundation, I urge your and the entire Board of Supervisors' endorsement of Goleta Beach 2.0 as the best solution to preserving Goleta Beach County Park and protecting Goleta Beach.

Surfrider's mission of protecting the world's oceans, waves and beaches for all people first led us to become a stakeholder in the Goleta Beach Working Group ten years ago. Since then, the Santa Barbara chapter has continually supported a natural, environmentally friendly alternative to hard structure armoring of Goleta Beach. The Surfrider Foundation, a national and international environmental organization with more than 50,000 members, has long opposed coastal armoring on both scientific and practical grounds.

We support Goleta Beach 2.0's plan to remove the rock revetment as required by the California Coastal Commission, which will enhance access between the lawn and park areas and the sandy beach while allowing littoral processes to restore the beach naturally. We also support Goleta Beach 2.0's recommendation to relocate utility and sewer lines outside the erosion zone. We favor relocating utility/sewer lines into Caltrans' Highway 217 right-of-way, which will both remove the potential for sewage spills on Goleta Beach and eliminate the need for future rock revetments.

Goleta Beach 2.0's sound science plan for park reconfiguration is backed by the County Parks Commission, by Dr. Edward Keller, chair of UCSB's Geology Department, and by other coastal protection advocates including the Environmental Defense Center (who represents our chapter on Goleta Beach 2.0), Heal the Ocean, the More Mesa Preservation Coalition, and the Urban Creeks Council. And the Coastal Commission resoundingly signaled its support for such a plan in August 2009.

The Santa Barbara chapter of Surfrider therefore urges the Board of Supervisors to adopt Goleta Beach 2.0 as the environmentally preferred solution to park preservation and beach protection at Goleta Beach. With your support, we look forward to working with County staff toward a plan for Goleta Beach Park which will ensure its healthy future for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Sandy Lejeune Chair, Santa Barbara Chapter Surfrider Foundation