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## PORT OFFERS FREE SEMINAR ON STATE AND FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS FOR FROM BRIDGE TO BREAKWATER PROJECT

Port provides seminar in advance of initiating environmental review of one of the largest public infrastructure projects in the region

SAN PEDRO, CA – Among the many public outreach efforts the Port is making related to the From Bridge to Breakwater project, the Port of Los Angeles will hold a public informational seminar on the environmental review process on Thursday, March 3 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Marina Hotel, 2800 Via Cabrillo Marina, in San Pedro.

"Many people do not know how the overall environmental review process works and how they can participate," said Dr. Ralph Appy, Director of the Port of Los Angeles Environmental Management Division, who will oversee the Environmental Impact Report (EIR)/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the project. "The Port wants to educate the public on key elements of environmental review and documentation, and encourage meaningful public input into the planning process."

On September 29, 2004, the Board of Harbor Commissioners approved in concept the proposed From Bridge to Breakwater Master Development Plan for the San Pedro Waterfront and Promenade and authorized the start of the environmental review process. This plan will redevelop approximately 416 acres in an 8-mile stretch of waterfront at the Port of Los Angeles that includes a continuous grand boulevard, a waterfront promenade, more than 170 acres of open space, commercial and residential opportunities and a variety of transportation components.



425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731 Tel: 310/732-3508 After 5:00 p.m.: 310/732-3500

## Environmental Process Seminar

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An environmental document will be prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The public scooping process for this document is expected to begin in April 2005.

Learn more about the From Bridge to Breakwater Master Development Plan for the San Pedro Waterfront at <u>www.sanpedrowaterfront.com</u>

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