April 10, 2006

SUBJECT: ERRATA, COMMENTS, AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS TO THE INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE SAN PEDRO WATERFRONT ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT

Thank you for your comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project.
Based on the nearly 400 comments received, LAHD staff has modified the project to remove controversial elements or elements that might be considered commitments to future waterfront plans so that the Port can carry forward improvements that are badly needed in the area to the benefit of the community. The proposed elements are a subset of the original project and are being considered as a project with independent utility, which does not prejudice future decisions on waterfront development. A summary of changes to the project are included in the Errata to the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and proposed changes to the IS/MND are identified as strikeouts for text removed and underline for additions.

The Port will also sponsor a public design workshop in June 2006 to discuss certain elements of the project, including: landscaping, signage, design of the pedestrian ramp near Bloch field and Ports O’ Call, and the configuration of parking and open space at the 22nd Street Landing area.

The Errata, which is being posted on April 10, 2006 to the Port website, will be followed by the staff report, which will be posted on April 14, 2006, in preparation for the Board of Harbor Commissioners’ consideration of this project on April 20, 2006. Additional public comments on the project and environmental assessment can be provided at the Board meeting. If you require any additional information, please contact Jan Green Rebstock, Environmental Project Manager at (310) 732-3949.

Sincerely,

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