



Greetings from Port San Luis Harbor District October/November 2019 Newsletter

Harbor Manager Notes - Welcome to the October/November 2019 Edition of the Port San Luis Harbor District Newsletter. This monthly newsletter is provided to you in an effort to keep the community informed about what's going on at the Port. Enjoy the news.



Upcoming Holiday Office Closures

- ❖ Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29, 2019 for Thanksgiving
- ❖ Tuesday and Wednesday, December 24 and 25 for Christmas

Action from the October 22, 2019 Commission Meeting - The agenda and staff reports can be found here: [October 22, 2019 Agenda](#)

Closed Session included 3 items:

- Conference with legal counsel regarding the matter of *Lowry v. Port San Luis Harbor District*.
- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2): Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation. Number of potential cases: 1 (one).
- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8: Conference with Real Property Negotiators. Property: Approximately 32 acres commonly known as Harbor Terrace, price and terms of payment of development and lease agreement.

Open Session included 2 Presentations, 5 Consent items and 1 Discussion item; the discussion items were as follows:

- Fish Buying/Fish Storage Building Site: Reviewed and discuss the draft key terms for the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an operating agreement; staff to return to the Board with addition options.



Action from the November 19, 2019 Commission Meeting - The agenda and staff reports can be found here: [November 19, 2019 Agenda](#)

Closed Session included 3 items:

- Conference with legal counsel regarding the matter of *Lowry v. Port San Luis Harbor District*.
- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8: Conference with Real Property Negotiators. Property: Approximately 32 acres commonly known as Harbor Terrace, price and terms of payment of development and lease agreement.
- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8: Conference with Real Property Negotiators. Property: Harford Pier Lease Site commonly known as Olde Port Inn Restaurant, terms of Price and renewal of lease agreement.

Open Session included 1 Presentation, 9 Consent items and 1 Discussion item; the discussion items were as follows:

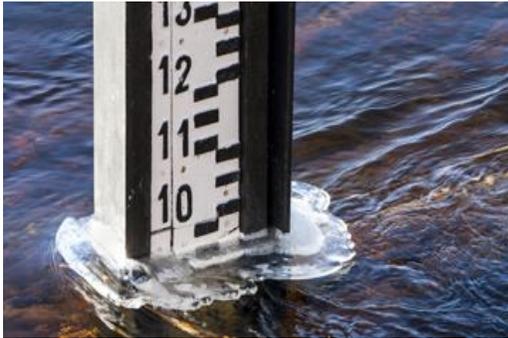
- 2020 Annual Licenses: Requests for 2020 licenses and license renewals; approved 1 new license for Luv2Camp and all applicable 2020 license renewals.



Port San Luis Participates in a Crowd Hydrology Project

– Port San Luis funded a Crowd Hydrology site installation on the Bob Jones Trail on Lower San Luis Creek. A Crowd Hydrology site was successfully installed approximately 1.75 miles upstream from Avila Beach under the San Luis Bay Drive bridge. A sign was also mounted explaining the purpose of the site and how to participate. Citizen scientists use gauges to find the water level and then text the value to the provided phone number. In return, they are given a link to an updated hydrograph showing the water level at that site over time. This is the third Crowd Hydrology site on the Central Coast and is an important tool for capturing data on local water levels.

It is also a valuable opportunity to engage with the local citizen scientists and give them a tangible opportunity to contribute to science and learn more about water and our local watersheds. Crowd Hydrology was established in 2010 with the goal of using innovative



methods to collect spatially distributed hydrologic data. What began in the Northeast United States has now expanded to the entire continent. Creek Lands Conservation (formerly Central Coast Salmon Enhancement) is a dedicated partner that has brought

this program to our local watersheds. To learn more about this program or to volunteer as a citizen scientist contact info@creeklands.org



Winter is on the Horizon - Winter is fast upon us, and it is time to prepare your vessel for storm conditions. By checking the weather and visiting your vessel during good weather conditions for preventative maintenance, you can help keep your vessel safe. In a very large storm event, vessels that can be hauled should be taken out of the water. Mariners of larger vessels may consider relocating their boat to a harbor protected from southerly winds such as Morro Bay. Making special note of the following is important:

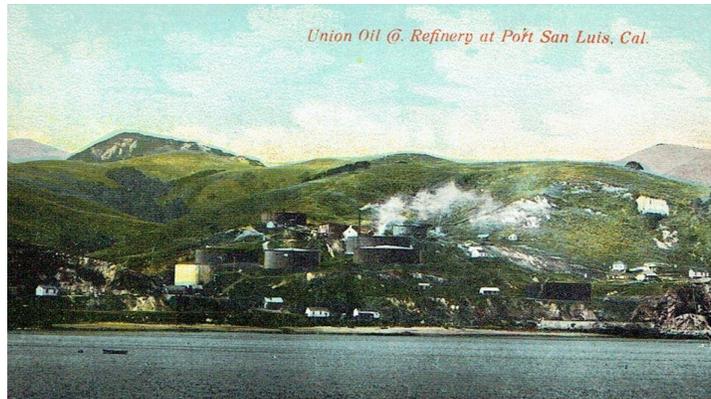
- Large Swells
- South Winds
- Checking the weather
- Securing Your Mooring

The Harbor District has put together a comprehensive “Winter’s on the Horizon” flyer that can help to make sure you and your vessel are ready for the winter weather. The flyer can be found on the Port San Luis Harbor District Facebook Page or in the Front Office. Stay Safe!



Pension Liability Workshop Held at Port San Luis – The Board of Commissioners held a Pension Liability Workshop on November 6, 2019 to review several scenarios for potentially funding extra dollars toward the unfunded CalPERS pension liability the District has developed. Several months ago, the Board approved the purchase of GOVInvest Software that provides for the input of specific data and then generates options for the “paydown” of the pension liability. The District will also be introducing at a future board meeting some guidelines for funding of the pension liability.

FAQ’s – How is the Harbor Terrace Project Coming Along? - Red Tail Acquisitions has responded to (hopefully) the final letter from County Planning in regard to conditions of approval to be met prior to the issuance of the grading permit. Once County Planning has deemed all the conditions have been satisfactorily met, the grading permit will be issued. Development of this site, which has been in the “works” for over 40 years has proven to be difficult to both plan and construct due to the geological constraints (various slide areas), potential environmental constraints (former petroleum tank site) and strict regulatory nature of construction in the County.



Upcoming Meetings/Events

****Board of Commissioners Committee Meetings** – Committee meetings are held generally held on the 2nd Thursday of the month however due to December holidays, the Avila Pier Committee and the Public Safety Ad-hoc Committee will both meet on Thursday, December 5th. Please see www.portsanluis.com for the specific times, dates and agendas each month.

****Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting** – The Board Meeting is generally held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, but due to the December holidays, the Board of Commissioners will meet in the afternoon of Tuesday, December 17th. Please see www.portsanluis.com for the specific times, dates and agendas each month.

****Board of Commissioners Goal Setting Workshop** – The Board will hold an all day, goal setting workshop in anticipation of the FY 2020/2021 budget process. The Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, January 9, 2020. Please see www.portsanluis.com for the specific times and an agenda.

Quote of the Month - “Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.”

~John Wooden



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Our Mission

To serve the public with an array of commercial and recreational boating, fishing, and coastal-related opportunities, while ensuring an environmentally responsible, safe, well-managed, and financially sustainable harbor that preserves our marine heritage and character.



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