Important Oceano Dunes Meeting on July 11

On Thursday, July 11, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in San Luis Obispo, the California Coastal Commission will consider the continued use of the Off-Highway Vehicle State Recreation Area at the Oceano Dunes State Park.

Below is a quote from the agenda staff report: “The bottom line in staff’s view is that the Park and the Coastal Development Permit cannot continue to operate as it has in the past, and that the range of coastal resource issues and constraints affecting ODSVRA together suggest that it is time to start thinking about ways to transition the Park away from high-intensity OHV use to other less intensive forms of access and recreation. Staff believes that it is appropriate to start to make these kinds of changes, and to start to plan for ODSVRA to transition to other less intensive uses...Put simply, in staff’s view a Park that is fully consistent with on-the-ground realities, and with coastal resource protection requirements, does not include OHV use. Rather, it is clear to staff that the significant coastal resource issues and constraints attributable to OHV use render long-term OHV use at this location untenable.”

Because it is evident that the Coastal Commission plans to prohibit OHV riding at Oceano Dunes State Park a group of Business Stakeholders has formed to address the economic impact concerns and advocate for the continued use of the OHV area.

The Oceano Dunes State Park and Pismo State Beach Business Stakeholder Coalition have asked the Chamber to invite you to engage on this issue.

Please plan to attend the Coastal Commission meeting on Thursday, July 11. The meeting begins at 9 am at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 333 Madonna Rd., San Luis Obispo. To show your support, wear a blue shirt and consider speaking during public comment.

— The Oceano Dunes State Park and Pismo State Beach Business Stakeholder Coalition and the South County Chambers of Commerce 2019 Board of Directors

July 2019 SCCC Business of the Month: Farm Supply

San Luis Obispo County Farm Supply Company, Inc. (FSC) was established in 1950 as an agricultural supply cooperative to serve the members of the Farm Bureau. Established to sell fertilizer at reasonable prices and to distribute post-war surplus equipment, Farm Supply was vital for local agriculture. They’ve come a long way since 1950 with five locations to serve their customers:

San Luis Obispo, Arroyo Grande, Santa Maria, and Buellton.

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Avila Beach

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Update from Supervisor Adam Hill, District 3:
Avila Beach, Grover Beach, Pismo Beach, and San Luis Obispo

Supervisor Adam Hill helped announce our new flight... VEGAS, BABY! Contour Airlines will start flying between San Luis Obispo and Las Vegas this October. Intro flight prices start at $99! Buy your tickets now at contourairlines.com.

Update from Supervisor Lynn Compton, District 4:
Oceano, Nipomo, and Arroyo Grande

The Board of Supervisors discussed hemp, water, and fire at the June 18th Board of Supervisors meeting. Here are some items voted on at the meeting:

- The Board of Supervisors approved a moratorium on hemp for the next 45 days while staff works on a permanent ordinance to regulate hemp production in the County. We will review the moratorium at the July 16th Board meeting and get an update on the permanent ordinance at that time.
- Approved $6,000 from my Community Grant Fund and $1,250 from other Supervisors for Five Cities Youth Baseball to host the 2019 Pacific Southwest Regional Championship Tournament. I will be providing more information about the tournament on my Facebook page soon.
- Received an update on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act for the effected water basins in the County.
- Submitted a resolution celebrating 100 years of library service through the County of San Luis Obispo Public Libraries.
- Heard a presentation from the County Superintendent of Schools James J. Brescia to inform and provide a brief overview of the Career Technical Education Programs and the major connections with local businesses.
- Officially adopted the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget for the County of San Luis Obispo Government.
- Received a presentation from Chief Scott Jalbert of CAL FIRE on the 2019 Fire Season and a review of the Inspection Report for Calendar Year 2018.
**Arroyo Grande News**

Hello esteemed chamber members. Summertime means budget time, and I am happy to report that our assumptions we made last year when we made massive cuts to our budget have held, and we are poised to hit all our two year goals by the end of this budget cycle. While we are in excellent financial health, and we are far better than most cities with regard to unfunded liabilities, we must make sure that we can take care of our cities assets that previous generations have bought and paid for.

You are going to hear discussions in the coming months about revenue generation, and about the possibility of increasing sales tax as part of that package of options. We need to be sure we can care for our infrastructure in a proactive way, and that requires a significant investment of $2-3 million per year. We can’t cut our way to that number. Proactive pavement management alone accounts for nearly $3 million a year in unfunded needs. How do you feel about the city pursuing a sales tax measure next year? Under what conditions would you support or oppose? Please contact me via phone or email to let me know what you think. 805-234-1270.

Respectfully,
Caren Ray Russom
Mayor, City of Arroyo Grande

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**Grover Beach News**

July is upon us and in many places, including Grover Beach, that means a new fiscal year and a new budget. Happy Fiscal New Year! With adoption of the City’s budget, the City ensured that the city priorities and day-to-day services continue to function smoothly and efficiently. We were encouraged to hear from city residents and businesses during development of the 2019-2020 Major City Goals. These goals include: Economic Development; Environmental Sustainability; Public Safety and Street and Other Capital Improvements and help frame the city direction for this next year.

Let’s focus for a moment on Public Safety. In June, Grover Beach was proud to bring on three new police officers and two new dispatch personnel. These highly trained individuals will complement our existing police force and ensure that Grover Beach remains a safe, vibrant community. Additionally, Grover Beach, Arroyo Grande, and Oceano have each budgeted for the transition of three reserve firefighters into full-time firefighters with the Five Cities Fire Authority. These full-time firefighters will be stationed at the Grover Beach fire house and, along with their fellow firefighters, respond to emergency situation throughout the entire FCFA area.

We are proud to have our Police Officers and Firefighters serving our city and I appreciate each and every one of our Public Safety personnel. Our residents and businesses have made Public Safety a high priority and our adopted budget ensures that it remains that way.

Mayor Jeff Lee
City of Grover Beach
**Recent Ribbon Cuttings**

**Avila Bay Athletic Club & Spa**  
6699 Bay Laurel Pl. in Avila Beach • abac.caclubs.com

Their full-service tennis, swim, and fitness club is located on four acres of tropical grounds in the heart of Avila Valley. They provide quality programs in tennis, swimming, yoga, aerobics, aqua aerobics, and weight training. Visit their full-service spa for a massage, facial, haircut, manicure, or pedicure. Single, family, corporate, and student memberships are available.

**Susanne Schenck Photography**  
susanne.schenck@gmail.com

“I shoot mostly landscape and animal images as I do a lot of nature and physical activities,” said Susanne, who was born and raised in Sweden. “A moment stopped in time for anyone to enjoy is the ultimate goal.”

**Lisa Vega, Pampered Chef**  
pamperedchef.biz/LisaLVega

Lisa Vega is an advanced sales director, coach, trainer, and recruiter for Pampered Chef. Pampered Chef is a direct seller of high-quality kitchen tools. At cooking shows, Pampered Chef consultants help guests use their unique products to prepare simple and delicious recipes while sharing tips and techniques to make everyday cooking easier and faster. Pampered Chef inspires satisfying, stress-free meals fit for your lifestyle.

**The Agrarian Hotel**  
325 W. Branch St. in Arroyo Grande

This brand-new boutique hotel in the Village of Arroyo Grande is walking distance to shops, restaurants, and wineries. Their tastefully designed rooms and suites offer Tempurpedic beds, private patios, and plush amenities for a comfortable stay. Their craftsman-style hotel is proud to be the first LEED Certified hotel in Arroyo Grande.

**Central Coast Aquarium**  
50 San Juan St. in Avila Beach  
centralcoastaquarium.com

The mission of the Central Coast Aquarium is to cultivate a community dedicated to ocean stewardship through education, engagement, and action. They currently serve as a home to over 75 different species of local San Luis Obispo County marine life including sea stars, decorator crabs, swell sharks, moon jellies and, from time to time, a Giant Pacific Octopus.
Coastal Christian recently announced the addition of their Transitional Kindergarten program (TK). Located atop the beautiful hills of Pismo Beach, Coastal Christian School has been serving the community for more than 40 years. Their teachers and classrooms provide a loving, nurturing, and challenging environment where each student is accepted and valued. They instill a humble service mentality by providing opportunities for students and staff to serve in our local community as well as across the globe with programs that help children in need.

Hilton Garden Inn offers happy hour offerings nightly, freshly prepared meals in their restaurant, and evening room service. Host a meeting, conference, or banquet in their 1,600-square-foot functional business center. Use the professional catering service, planning staff, and full A/V components to ensure your event goes smoothly.

The Avila Beach Civic Association is a nonprofit, community-based organization serving the community of Avila Beach since 1958. They are committed to connecting the communities of and around Avila Beach and offering programs, events, and activities for all ages that promote personal growth, development, and social interaction in a fun, positive atmosphere.

Located in the Village of Arroyo Grande, Sidewalk Café offers hot and cold sandwiches, wraps, salads, soup, burgers, tacos, breakfast, and more. View their menu at sidewalkcafeag.com
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