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Jack Ainsworth, Deputy Director  
California Coastal Commission  
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89 South California Street, Suite 1200  
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RE: May 12 Meeting, Agenda Item 10.3. PUBLIC WORKS PLAN.

a. Ventura County Channel Islands Harbor Public Works Plan Notice of Impending Development No. 1-10 (Channel Islands Harbor Public Boat Launch Reconstruction) NOID 1-10]

Mr. Ainsworth:

Recreational Boaters of California [RBOC] reiterates our previously-stated position, as set forth in our letter of December 8, 2009, and we also urge the California Coastal Commission (CCC) at the May 12 Commission meeting not to approve Agenda Item 10.3 which would greatly reduce the size of Victoria Public Boat Launch in Channel Islands Harbor.

RBOC requests that the Commission deny the NOID 1-10 as it duplicates NOID 2-09 on which the Commission previously determined that the project is not contained in the County's certified Public Works Plan (PWP). We also request that the Commission postpone any further action until such time as the required actions are taken for an amendment to that PWP.

RBOC is also concerned that a settlement agreement appears to have been entered into between the Commission and the applicant. It is critical that this agreement be provided to the public prior to any further action by the Commission.

RBOC also remains very concerned that the proposal would shrink the public boat launch ramp by half to create extra acreage for a planned 800 apartment, residential and 175,000 sq. ft. of retail mixed use development to replace Fisherman's Wharf.

In addition, the notice of this intended development has not been open for public comment. RBOC requests that the Commission direct the Harbor to follow the process of gathering public comment, which has not been given in this case, and ensure compliance with the Coastal Act and the Harbor Public Works Plan and Coastal Act Sections 30213, 30220, 30224, and 30234, to protect and promote recreational boating and commercial fishing facilities in the Harbor.

For each of these reasons, RBOC urges the Commission not approve Agenda Item 10.3 at its May 12 meeting.

Sincerely,

*Anne Sacks*

Anne Sacks, President

C: Members, California Coastal Commission