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Subject: Dana Point Harbor Revitalization, LCPA DPT-MAJ-1-08

To all interested parties,

The Dana Point Boaters Association was pleased to learn yesterday that The subject LCPA public hearing has been agendized for the upcoming meeting In Marina del Rey on June 11th. We have been working closely with the Local government agencies involved for some time now and believe that Substantive progress is being made in establishing a set of program level land use planning objectives that are workable and which service the needs of all stakeholders, including the recreational boaters for which our harbor was, and is, primarily purposed.

While various issues will no doubt require some public vetting and a few issues may still perhaps require Commission adjudication following lively debate, we are very hopeful that efforts will proceed during the hearing process as they have been proceeding locally during the past few months. That is, in a spirit of teamwork, with open minds collaborating to figure out solutions that work for all competing points of view.

This said, we also wish to express a significant concern. Our concern is that while many months of effort has been applied to provide input to Commission Staff, and Staff have in turn have spent many months of effort to prepare it, today less than 14 days from the date of the public hearing, the report itself has not yet been made available for public review and analysis. We recognize and commend the outstanding effort Staff has invested to deliver a timely and what we anticipate to be a top quality report. However, we respectively wish to point out that sufficient time must be provided for all stakeholders to have fair opportunity to read and study it, and thereby to properly prepare for the public hearing process. As I say, we have not yet seen the Staff report. Nevertheless, we are skeptical that sufficient time will in fact be available for proper preparation.

Most respectfully,

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