

News Release

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Port and Caltrans to Host Second Public Outreach Meeting on Community Sign

The Port of San Diego and Caltrans will host a second public meeting to gather input on a proposed community sign to serve as a gateway to the Barrio Logan neighborhood.

The second public meeting will be held on Thursday, October 4, 2012, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Woodbury University School of Architecture, 2212 Main Street in San Diego. Light refreshments and translation services will be provided, and parents are encouraged to bring their children.

At the second meeting, architect Vicki Estrada with Estrada Land Planning will present a draft concept for the sign's design. The draft concept is based on community input from the first meeting. At Thursday's meeting, the public will be asked to provide input on the concept.

Ideas from these meetings will be used to create a final draft design that would be presented to the Barrio Logan community. After the final outreach session, the recommended concept would be presented to the Board of Port Commissioners.

The proposed sign is part of the Port Access Project, which will include crosswalk enhancements, lane adjustments, and beautification improvements in the community near the Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal.

It is anticipated that construction of the gateway sign will begin next summer. The new community sign will span Cesar E. Chavez Parkway between Main Street and Newton Avenue.

Questions and comments can be emailed to rdelafuente@portofsandiego.org.

About the Port:

The Port is the fourth largest of California's 11 <u>ports</u>. It was created by the state legislature in 1962. Since then, it has invested millions of dollars in public improvements in its five member cities – <u>Chula Vista</u>, <u>Coronado</u>, <u>Imperial Beach</u>, <u>National City</u> and <u>San Diego</u>.

The Port District oversees <u>two maritime cargo terminals</u>, two cruise ship terminals, <u>17 public parks</u>, the <u>Harbor Police Department</u> and the leases of more than 600 tenant and sub tenant businesses around San Diego Bay.

The Port of San Diego is an economic engine, an environmental steward of San Diego Bay and the surrounding tidelands, and a provider of community services and public safety.