



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

# ADDENDUM TO NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project No. N/A  
Addendum to ND No. 225045  
SCH No. 2013041059

**SUBJECT: Seasonal Closure of Point La Jolla:** Seasonal closure of Point La Jolla, seven days a week, beginning May 25 and ending on September 15 during sea lion pupping season. The closure will include signs posted for the area closed, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain to cordon off the beach wooden access stairs at the border of Point La Jolla and La Jolla Cove. The Project is located at 1160 Coast Blvd., La Jolla, CA 92037 in the La Jolla Community Planning area in Council District 1.

APPLICANT: City of San Diego Parks & Recreation Department.

## I. SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROJECT

The Project proposes a seasonal closure of Point La Jolla, seven days a week, beginning May 25 and ending on September 15 during sea lion pupping season. The closure will include signs posted for the area closed, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain to cordon off the beach wooden access stairs at the border of Point La Jolla and La Jolla Cove.

## II. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

The Project site is located at 1160 Coast Blvd., La Jolla, CA 92037 in the La Jolla Planned District Zone 5 within the La Jolla Community Plan area. The Project site is located near Boomer Beach and the Ellen Browning Scripps Park Comfort Station to the west of La Jolla Cove. The La Jolla Cove Lifeguard Station is adjacent to the Project site where there are two concrete stairs located on either side of the station. The La Jolla Cove Bridge Club is also located on the east side of the concrete sidewalk. The community of La Jolla lies to the east of the Project site.

### **III. SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL PROJECT**

The City of San Diego (City) prepared Negative Declaration (ND) 225045 for the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project, which was adopted by the San Diego City Council on March 12, 2014 (Resolution R-308758). The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project included an amendment to the La Jolla Community Plan and Local Coastal Program to establish community plan policies to support a seasonal closure of the Children's Pool Beach consistent with Coastal Act Section 30230, "Marine resources; Maintenance" during harbor seal pupping season to contribute to the protection of an area of special biological significance for breeding pinnipeds. The City's Parks & Recreation Department applied for a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) to prohibit access to the Children's Pool Beach annually from December 15 through May 15. Implementation of the project included the installation of two signs, one approximately 36" by 30" and one approximately 24" by 18" on the existing wall and gate, respectively, and a chain barrier at the second landing of the lower stairs of the existing set of stairs that provides access to and from the beach area. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project also included an amendment to the San Diego Municipal Code (SDMC) to add Section 63.0102(e)(2) which states:

*It is unlawful for any person to be upon or cause any person to be upon the beach of the La Jolla Children's Pool, starting from the lower stairs to the beach, beginning with the second landing, from December 15 to May 15.*

### **IV. ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

The City previously prepared and adopted the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Negative Declaration (ND) No. 225045/SCH No. 2013041059. Based on all available information in light of the entire record, the analysis in this Addendum, and pursuant to Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the City has determined the following:

- There are no substantial changes proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previous environmental document due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects;
- Substantial changes have not occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous environmental document due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; or
- There is no new information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at

the time the previous environmental document was certified as complete or was adopted, that shows any of the following:

- a. The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous environmental document;
- b. Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous environmental document;
- c. Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or
- d. Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous environmental would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative.

Based upon a review of the current project, none of the situations described in Sections 15162 and 15164 of the State CEQA Guidelines apply. No changes in circumstances have occurred, and no new information of substantial importance has manifested, which would result in new significant or substantially increased adverse impacts as a result of the project. Therefore, this Addendum has been prepared in accordance with Section 15164 of the CEQA Guidelines. Public review of this Addendum is not required per CEQA.

## **V. IMPACT ANALYSIS**

The following includes the project-specific environmental review pursuant to CEQA. The analysis in this document evaluates the adequacy of the ND relative to the project.

### ***AESTHETICS***

#### ***La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND***

The ND found that the placement of two signs on the wall and gate, and the placement of a chain barrier on an existing landing of an existing set of stairs down to the beach, would not result in a substantial adverse impact on a scenic vista; would not substantially damage scenic resources; and would not substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings. As noted in the ND, the primary view to the ocean would be preserved, the landing and stairs are existing structures, and the signage and

chain barrier would not exceed the height or width of the stairs. Additionally, as stated in the ND, the sea wall and bluff top look out areas would remain accessible during pupping season and would remain as areas to view the scenic vista. As such, impacts were determined to be less than significant, and no mitigation was required. The ND also found that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not create a new source of and/or cause substantial light or glare. No substantial sources of light would be generated during project installation; thus, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not result in a substantial adverse impact on a scenic vista, substantially damage scenic resources, or substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings as these installations would be seasonal and would only be in place from May 25 to September 15 during the sea lion pupping season. These temporary installations, which include an approximately 32-inch tall emergency barricade (K-Rail), are small in nature and would not block views of the ocean. The concrete sidewalk adjacent to the La Jolla Cove Bridge Club would remain accessible during pupping season and would remain as an area to view the scenic vista; thus, no views will be obstructed. The installations also do not include any features which would create a new source of and/or cause substantial light or glare.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

## **AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY RESOURCES**

### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Community Plan and Local Coastal Program designates the Children's Pool Beach as Parks/Open Space, and the site is located within an established resource-based park—the Coastal Boulevard Park. As such, the site does not contain, and is not adjacent to, any lands identified as Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance, as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency. Therefore, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not result in the conversion of such lands to non-agricultural use; or conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract as there are no Williamson Act Contract lands on or within the vicinity of the site; or conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land, timberland, or timberland zoned Timberland Production as there is no designated forest land or timberland that occurs onsite. Thus, no significant impacts would occur, and no mitigation

measures are required. In addition, as noted in ND, the Children's Pool Beach has historically been used for park/open space purposes. There is no forest land or farmland onsite and the implementation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not contribute to the conversion of any forested land to non-forest use; and thus, no changes to any such lands would result from project implementation. Therefore, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

#### Project

Like Children's Pool Beach, the Project site is designated as Open Space/Park in the La Jolla Community Plan and Local Coastal Program and there is no forest land or farmland onsite. Thus, implementation of the seasonal closure activities proposed by the Project would not result in the conversion of agricultural lands to non-agricultural use; conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract; conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land, timberland, or timberland zoned Timberland Production; or contribute to the conversion of any forested land to non-forest use.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### **AIR QUALITY**

#### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

The ND identifies that the Children's Pool Beach is in the San Diego Air Basin (SDAB) and is under the jurisdiction of the San Diego Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) and the California Air Resources Board (CARB). The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not involve land clearing, grading operations, or construction; therefore, the project would not conflict with the Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP); would not violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation; and would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard. Given the nature of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project (i.e. the placement of two signs and chain barrier to prohibit access to the beach during harbor seal pupping season), the ND found that the project would not result in the exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations either during construction or over the long-term, and the project would not create objectionable odors. Thus, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

#### Project

The Project includes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not require land clearing, grading operations, or

construction. Thus, the Project would not conflict with any air quality plan; violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation; and would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the Project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard. Similarly, the Project would not expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations, nor would it create objectionable odors.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### ***BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES***

#### ***La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND***

The ND identified that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would contribute to the protection of habitat area for breeding pinnipeds. Therefore, the ND concluded that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS); or have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the CDFG or USFWS.

The ND also found that while the project site is located immediately adjacent to the Mean High Water (MHW) and Mean Lower Low Water (MLLWL) marks, which are within the waters of the US, there are no wetlands on the site. Thus, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not result in impacts to wetlands, and no mitigation measures are required.

The ND found that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would contribute to the protection of the habitat area for breeding pinnipeds; would enhance the use of the site as a wildlife nursery; would not interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors; and would not impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. Thus, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

The ND concluded that implementation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would contribute to biological resource protection. Additionally, the project site is not within the City's MHPA, and no other adopted conservation plans affect the project site. Thus, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not conflict with any plan or policy related to biological resource protection and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not result in a substantial adverse impact on any species, nor would they have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other community. Like Children's Pool Beach, the Project site does not have any wetlands onsite and implementation of the Project would not result in any impacts to wetlands. The Project would contribute to the protection of habitat area for sea lions and would enhance the use of the site as a wildlife nursery. Thus, the Project would not interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors and would not impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. The Project would contribute to biological resource protection and would not conflict with any plan or policy related to biological resource protection.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### **CULTURAL RESOURCES**

#### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

As noted in the ND, the Children's Pool was dedicated to the City of San Diego by Ellen Browning Scripps in 1931. The breakwater was designed and constructed by Hiram Savage and William Templeton Johnson to protect bathers, especially children, from the dangerous crosscurrent and undertow of the open ocean. The Children's Pool breakwater is considered a California Register of Historical Resources-eligible historic resource. The ND found that the implementation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not result in a long-term operational impact related to adverse physical or aesthetic effects on an architecturally significant building, structure, or object. Therefore, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

The ND also found that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not require excavation or any ground disturbance and would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15064.5. Similarly, although the project site is underlain by the Cabrillo Formation, which is considered to have a moderate sensitivity for paleontological resources, no direct or unique paleontological features would be impacted by the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project as no grading/excavation is required. The ND also clarified that no formal or informal cemeteries were identified onsite or within the project vicinity. Thus, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not disturb human remains. No impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project site is adjacent to the La Jolla Adult Recreation Center Club which is a designated historical resource in the City's Register of Historic Resources. The Project is proposing the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. However, these installations would not result in a long-term operational impact related to adverse physical or aesthetic effects on an architecturally significant building, structure, or object because they would be temporary and would not be placed on the resource itself. The Project would not require excavation or any ground disturbance, and as such would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15064.5 and would not disturb human remains.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### **GEOLOGY AND SOILS**

#### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site is assigned a Geologic Hazard Category of 43, Coastal Bluffs which, according to the City of San Diego Safety Seismic Study Maps, is characterized as generally unstable with unfavorable jointing and local high erosion. As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project's minor installations would limit access to Children's Pool during seal pupping season, and thus would have no discernible effect upon the exposure of persons or structures to potential substantial adverse effects related to rupture of a known earthquake fault; or strong seismic ground shaking; or be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse; or be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property. As such, no impacts would result, and no mitigation measures are required.

As noted in the ND, the Project site is located within a beach area and is composed of loose sand that is saturated at a shallow depth. Therefore, it is considered susceptible to liquefaction in the event of a significant earthquake in the region. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would result in limited physical improvements and would not increase the likelihood of persons or structures being exposed to seismic related ground failure. Thus, no impacts would result, and no mitigation measures are required.

The ND also states that the presence of landslides is absent on the site. Therefore, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required. Installation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project components would not result in any excavation or ground

disturbance, and the project will not result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil. Thus, no mitigation measures are required. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project also does not propose the use of a septic system and would not result in soils being incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater. Thus, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not require any ground disturbing activities that would result in impacts associated with the rupture of a known earthquake fault, strong seismic ground shaking, or substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil. The Project is not located on a geologic unit or soil that would become unstable as a result of the Project, and implementation of the Project would not result in on- or off-site landslides, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse. The Project is also not located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994). The proposed installations would not result in liquefaction, nor would it increase the likelihood of persons or structures being exposed to seismic related ground failure. The Project also does not require the use of a septic tank. Thus, no impacts would result, and no mitigation measures are required.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

## **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS**

### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

The ND found that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not be expected to have a significant impact related to greenhouse gases (GHG). As stated in the ND, the installation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project components would not involve any construction activities and implementation of the project would result in no new operations. Thus, the ND concluded that GHG emissions would be well below the 900 metric ton screening criteria established by the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA), and impacts were considered to be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required. The ND also concluded that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not conflict with any applicable plans, policies, or regulations pertaining to the reduction of greenhouse gases. No impact would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not involve any construction activities and implementation of the Project would result in no new operations that would conflict with any applicable plans, policies, or regulations pertaining to the reduction of greenhouse gases.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### **HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

#### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

The ND found that implementation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not require the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would also not involve the use of hazardous materials or create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site is not located within 0.25 mile of an existing or proposed school and therefore, would not emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school. The site has been historically used as a recreational beach area and is not identified as a hazardous materials site pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. The site is also not located within any airport land use plan, the airport environs overlay zone, or airport approach overlay zone. It is also not located within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, nor is it in close proximity to any private airstrip. Therefore, no significant impacts related to aircraft hazards would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

The ND found that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not interfere with the implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or evacuation plan. No roadway improvements are proposed that would interfere with circulation or access. As such, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site is located within an urbanized and developed area, and there are no wildlands or other areas prone to wildfire within the vicinity of the site. Therefore, no significant impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not require the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials; and would not involve the use of hazardous materials or create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment. The Project site is not within 0.25 miles of an existing or proposed school; thus, the Project would not emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school. The Project site is not identified as a hazardous materials site pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5; is not located within any airport land use plan, the airport environs overlay zone, or airport approach overlay zone; and is not located within two miles of a public airport, public use airport, or in close proximity to any private airstrip. The proposed installations would not interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or evacuation plan. No roadway improvements are proposed that would interfere with circulation or access. Finally, there are no wildlands or other areas prone to wildfire located near the Project site; thus, no impacts associated with wildland fires would occur.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### ***HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY***

#### *La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND*

As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not require the construction of wells nor would it require the use of groundwater. Installation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project components would not affect or substantially alter existing drainage patterns or result in substantial erosion; nor would it substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site. As such, no significant impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would result in limited physical improvements, which would not create or contribute runoff water and would not substantially degrade water quality. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project does not propose housing and therefore, would not place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map. The project site is located within a 100-year flood hazard area, however, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not create structures

that would impede or redirect flood flows and would not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam. Therefore, no significant impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

The ND identified that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site includes Children's Pool Beach and is immediately adjacent to the Pacific Ocean making it subject to inundation by seiche or tsunami. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not increase the likelihood of nor result in an increase in the numbers of persons subject to inundation by a seiche or tsunami. As stated in the ND, based upon the location and topography of the site, it is unlikely that it would be inundated by a mudflow. Therefore, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements; would not require the construction of wells or the use of groundwater; would not affect or substantially alter existing drainage patterns or result in substantial erosion; would not substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff which would result in flooding on- or off-site; would not create or contribute runoff water and would not substantially degrade water quality. The Project does not propose the placement of housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map; and would not create structures that would impede or redirect flood flows that would expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam. The Project would also not increase the likelihood of a seiche or tsunami and would not be inundated by a mudflow.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

## **LAND USE AND PLANNING**

### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

As noted in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site is located in a developed urban community immediately adjacent to the Pacific Ocean. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not physically divide an established community. The ND found that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project was consistent with the General Plan, and the La Jolla Community Plan and the Local Coastal Program goals and policies which encourage the enhancement and maintenance of existing public access to

beaches and coastline areas, and the protection of habitat and wildlife areas. Specifically, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project balances competing habitat protection policies with public access policies as the project would protect wildlife during the pupping season while maintaining full public access for the remainder of the year. As stated in the ND, the size and location of the signage and chain barrier would minimize any potential visual impacts and would preserve coastal views. The sea wall and bluff top lookouts would remain accessible to the public throughout the year. Therefore, no significant impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

In addition, the ND also found that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not conflict with the City's Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) Subarea Plan, and the site is not located within or adjacent to the MHPA. Thus, no significant impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not physically divide an established community; and would not conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan. The Project would not conflict with the City's MSCP Subarea Plan as the Project site is not located within or adjacent to the City's MHPA, the Project would encourage biological resources protection, and these installations would be seasonal and would only be in place from May 25 to September 15 during the sea lion pupping season.

The Project would protect habitat area for sea lions during pupping season, but would allow for full public access for the remainder of the year. Thus, the Project would not conflict with the goals and policies of the General Plan and the La Jolla Community Plan and Local Coastal Program which call for the protection of habitat and wildlife areas and the maintenance of existing public access to the beaches and coastline areas. As discussed in Aesthetics above, the proposed installations would not block public scenic views and vistas.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

## **MINERAL RESOURCES**

### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

As stated in the ND, there are no known mineral resources located on the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site. The urbanized and developed nature of the site and

vicinity would prevent the extraction of any such resources. The site is not currently being utilized for mineral extraction and does not contain any known mineral resources that would be of value to the region. Therefore, no significant impacts were identified, and no mitigation measures are required. In addition, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project area has not been delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan as a locally important mineral resource recovery site, and no such resources would be affected with project implementation. Therefore, no significant impacts were identified, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. The Project site does not contain any known mineral resources of value to the region, is not designated as a locally important mineral resource recovery site and is not currently being utilized for mineral extraction. Thus, no significant impacts are identified, and no mitigation measures are required.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### **NOISE**

#### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

The ND found that installation of the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project components (i.e. the two signs on an existing gate and wall, and a chain barrier at the second landing of the lower stairs) would not result in short-term construction or long-term operational noise impacts, would not expose sensitive receptors to noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, and would not result in the exposure of persons to excessive ground borne vibration or noise. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project's installation and operation would also not increase long-term noise levels, and the project would not introduce a new land use, or significantly increase the intensity of the existing land use. As stated in the ND, post-construction noise levels and traffic would be generally unchanged as compared to noise associated with the existing use. Therefore, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not result in a substantial permanent or temporary increase in ambient noise levels. No impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site is not located within an airport land use plan or within two miles of a public airport or public use airport that would expose people residing or working in the area to excessive noise levels. It is also not located within the

vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, no impacts associated with airport noise would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. Implementation of the Project would not result in short-term construction or long-term operational noise impacts, would not result in a substantial permanent or temporary increase in ambient noise levels, and would not expose sensitive receptors to excessive ground borne vibration or noise. The Project site is not located within an airport land use plan or within two miles of a public airport, public use airport, or a private airstrip; thus, no impacts associated with airport noise would occur.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

**POPULATION AND HOUSING**

La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not require the construction of new homes or businesses or the extension of roads or any public infrastructure and would not induce any population growth. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would also not displace any existing housing or displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere. Therefore, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not result in the construction of new homes, businesses, or public infrastructure; would not induce population growth; and would not displace any existing housing or substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

The ND states that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site is located in an urbanized and developed area where fire and police protection services are already provided. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not adversely affect existing levels of fire and/or police protection services to the area and would not increase the demand on public schools or existing levels of public services. The Project would not require the construction of new or an expansion of existing governmental facilities. Thus, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

The ND found that, while the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would limit access to public parkland from December 15 through May 15 each year, full public access would remain available outside of pupping season. Additionally, views of the shore and visual access would remain accessible from the pedestrian walkway along the bluff top after the project was implemented. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not impact access to the beach or to the water. In addition, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not significantly increase the demand on existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities over that which presently exists. As such, impacts related to parks would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project includes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not adversely affect existing levels of fire and/or police protection services to the area, would not increase the demand on public schools, and would not adversely affect existing levels of public services such that it would require the construction of new or expansion of existing governmental facilities. The Project's installations would be seasonal and would only be in place from May 25 to September 15 during the sea lion pupping season. Additionally, these installations would be small in nature and would still allow full access to public scenic views and vistas. The Project would not significantly impact physical access to and/or views of the beach or the water. Implementation of the Project would not significantly increase the demand on existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities over that which presently exists. No mitigation measures are required.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

## **RECREATION**

### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not significantly increase the demand on existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities over that which presently exists. As such, impacts related to parks would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project site includes an existing recreational facility; however, the project would not require the construction or expansion of the existing recreational facility. As such, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not significantly increase the demand on existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities over that which presently exists; and would not require the construction or expansion of the existing recreational facility as these installations would be seasonal and would only be in place from May 25 to September 15 during the sea lion pupping season.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

## **TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC**

### La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND

As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project proposed limited physical installations which would not conflict with any applicable plan, ordinance, or policy regarding the transportation system; or conflict with an applicable congestion management program. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not result in a change in air traffic patterns that would result in substantial safety risks, would not increase hazards, and would not result in inadequate emergency access. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would also not alter the existing conditions of the project site or adjacent facilities with regards to alternative transportation including public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities. No significant impacts related to this issue would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

### Project

The Project includes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would be installed on park land and would not conflict with the

existing transportation circulation system. Thus, the Project would not conflict with any applicable plan, ordinance or policy regarding the transportation system; would not conflict with an applicable congestion management program; would not result in a change in air traffic patterns that would result in substantial safety risks; would not increase hazards; and would not result in inadequate emergency access. No mitigation measures are required.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### ***UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS***

#### ***La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND***

As stated in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not exceed the wastewater treatment requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Board and would not require the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not require the construction of new public storm water drainage facilities or the expansion of existing facilities, would not require water supplies, would not require supplementary wastewater treatment capacity, and would not require additional landfill capacity. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would comply with all federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste. Thus, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

#### ***Project***

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. No new or expanded utilities infrastructure would be required and the Project would not require additional landfill capacity.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

### ***MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE***

#### ***La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure ND***

As identified in the ND, the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a

fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory. The La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would not result in cumulatively considerable impacts and implementation of the project would not result in effects that would significantly directly or indirectly impact human beings. Therefore, no impacts would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.

Project

The Project proposes the installation of signs, K-rail barrier(s), and a chain on the beach access stairs to facilitate the seasonal closure of Point La Jolla during the sea lion pupping season. These installations would not have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory. The Project would also not result in cumulatively considerable impacts, nor would it cause a significant direct or indirect impact to human beings. No mitigation measures would be required.

Based on the foregoing analysis and information, there is no evidence that the Project would require a major change to the ND. The Project would not result in any new significant impact, nor would it result in any substantial increase in the severity of impacts from that described in the ND.

**VI. MITIGATION, MONITORING, AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP) INCORPORATED INTO THE PROJECT**

None required.

**VII. IMPACT SIGNIFICANCE**

The ND identified that the La Jolla Children's Pool Enclosure Project would result in less than significant impacts. This Addendum also identifies that all Project impacts would be below a level of significance, consistent with the previously adopted ND.

**VIII. CERTIFICATION**

Copies of the addendum, the adopted ND, and associated project-specific technical appendices, if any, may be reviewed in the office of the Planning Department, 9485 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123, or purchased for the cost of reproduction.

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Attachments:

Figure 1: Project Plan Map

Figure 2: Vicinity Map

Figure 1  
Project Plan



Legend

 Seasonal Closure Boundary

 K-Rail

 Ocean Access



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Figure 2  
Vicinity Map

# Vicinity Map



Subject site



Coast Blvd.

