

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
For the Former Navy Property Restoration Project**

This serves as the Oxnard Harbor District's (District) Notice of Intent (NOI) to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Former Navy Property Restoration Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and local implementation procedures.

Lead Agency: Oxnard Harbor District, 333 Pomona Avenue, Port Hueneme, CA 93041

Project Title: Former Navy Property Restoration Project

Project Location: Regionally, the project site is located within the City of Port Hueneme in the southwest portion of Ventura County. Locally, the project site is located in the Oxnard Harbor District on the east side of the Port of Hueneme harbor entrance. The address associated with the site is 333 Pomona Street (APN: 206-002-034).

Project Description:

The project would demolish seven existing buildings, formerly used by the Navy Civil Engineering Lab (NCEL) that can no longer be used and are in a derelict state. Removal of these buildings would allow for use as open backlands for ongoing port operations now, and ostensibly future aquaculture operations. The project would demolish a total of approximately 37,500 square feet of developed impervious areas. The proposed disturbance footprint is anticipated to be approximately 1.7 acres and an area of approximately 1.5 acres would be graded and paved after demolition. Demolition, grading, and paving are expected to take approximately 120 days.

The project site contains one former case of a Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) and one former cleanup site. The LUST case was closed April 1, 1999 and the cleanup site is considered inactive since July 1, 2005, with no contaminants of concern identified. The site is not on any other list under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the District proposes to adopt a MND for the above cited project. THE MND is based on the finding that the project would not have significant adverse impacts. The reasons for such a finding are documented in the MND prepared by the District.

Public Review: Copies of the NOI have been transmitted to the California State Clearinghouse and to applicable responsible and trustee agencies. This NOI, the MND and supporting materials are available for public review on the District's website at:

<https://www.portofhueneme.org/community/environment/>

Copies of the MND are also available at the following locations:

- Oxnard Harbor District, 333 Pomona Avenue, Port Hueneme, CA 93041
- Ray D. Prueter Library, 510 Park Avenue, Port Hueneme, CA 93041
- South Oxnard Branch Library, 4300 Saviers Road, Oxnard CA 93033

The 30-day NOI public review period begins on March 29, 2023 and ends on April 28, 2023.

Please send your written comments to:

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Please include your name, address, and contact information in your correspondence. Written comments must be sent no later than 5 p.m. on Monday April 19, 2023.

Public Hearing: The District intends to adopt the MND at their **June 19, 2023** Board of Harbor Commissioners Meeting, which starts at 3:00 PM and located at the Port of Hueneme Office, 333 Pomona Street Port Hueneme, CA 93041.