

## Aston, Rosario@Waterboards

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**From:** Owens, Cassandra@Waterboards  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 02, 2018 8:02 AM  
**To:** Aston, Rosario@Waterboards  
**Subject:** FW: Water Quality Channel Is. Harbor

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-----Original Message-----

From: Anne Baldinger [mailto:anne.baldinger@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 1:17 PM  
To: Owens, Cassandra@Waterboards <Cassandra.Owens@waterboards.ca.gov>  
Subject: Water Quality Channel Is. Harbor

Dear Ms. Owens,

My husband and I live in the Channel Islands Harbor having retired to Oxnard in 2011.

We often walk around the marina, along with people from all over, of all ages and different walks of life. It is a pleasure to be together with everyone enjoying nature.

Unfortunately this summer there has been a terrible odor coming from the harbor water. It seems to be caused by stagnant water coming from the Edison canal.

Since the NRG plant has closed operation and is no longer pumping water from the canal which leads from the harbor, there is much less circulation. Consequently the ecosystem is being damaged each day. Nutrients are building up and pollutants as well.

If allowed to continue I fear this situation will only get worse, affecting fish, birds, and sea lions which regularly visit the harbor. We've been fortunate enough to see even a couple of dolphins near the Whales Tale one afternoon! And herons make their nests in the palm trees lining the walkways.

People come to the harbor for all kinds of recreational activities and also just to rest and enjoy nature. And in turn they support all the local businesses for shopping and dining.

As you consider NRG's application to terminate their work at the harbor please consider the effects on water quality for our future. Do all you can to keep our beautiful harbor clean and healthy for all to enjoy.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,  
Anne and Allan Baldinger  
anne.baldinger@gmail.com

Sent from my iPhone