

Notice of Section 401 Application Reception

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Project Name: Dover Landing Maintenance Dredging Project

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Project City: Newport Beach

Project County: Orange

Applicant Organization: Dover Landing

Applicant Name: Palmo Investments GP (Allyson Presta)

Waterboard Staff: TBA

Brief Description of Project:

Project Description: The project aims to restore berthing and navigational depths at the private docks. At present, some of the vessels impact the bottom at lower tides creating damage in some of them throughout this year alone. The project would allow all vessels to safely be berthed and operated at the docks during all tides. The applicant is seeking recommendations by the Regulatory Agencies on addressing the proposed Z-Layer (-12' to -12.5' MLLW). It is understood that there is no specific solution is provided to waterfront properties at this time. The project is expected to be executed in the first half of 2023, and working hours are expected to be conducted per the City of Newport Beach's municipal code.

Project Activities: The work includes maintenance dredging within property limits and Regional General Permit 54 boundaries. The subject property has been dredged several times in the past, 2 times under the current RGP54. The intention was to apply for maintenance dredging for the 3rd time under the RGP54. However, additional DDT analysis was performed due to changes in sediment characterization under the Regional General Permit 54. The results of these sediment samples collected to identify DDT concentration in the proposed Z-layer within the dredge footprint were over the imposed threshold (Z-Layer analyzed from -12' to -14' MLLW), eliminating the possibility of pursuing the RGP54 permit. Material has previously always been disposed of at LA-3 ODMDS. The project proposes dredging to -10 MLLW plus 2 feet of over-depth and disposal of sediments at the unrestricted disposal LA-3 ODMDS. Dredging would be conducted by a small clamshell bucket where sediments will be placed onto split hull dump scows taken offshore. Scows will have real-time monitoring and positioning, and EPA operations requirements will be met.