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Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, California 95814

SUBJECT: Notice of Completion, Availability, Comment Period, and Public Meeting for the Port Master Plan Update Draft Program Environmental Impact Report; SCH Number 2018081024

The Port of Long Beach, acting by and through its Board of Harbor Commissioners has completed a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the Port Master Plan Update (Proposed Plan). The Draft PEIR has been prepared in accordance with CEQA. Accordingly, the Port of Long Beach is soliciting input from government agencies, organizations, and members of the public on the Proposed Plan. The 50-day public review period begins on August 15, 2019 and will end on October 3, 2019.

**Project Location:** The Port is located on the shoreline of San Pedro Bay in southeastern Los Angeles County. The Port Master Plan (PMP) Update planning area is the Port's Harbor District, established under the California Coastal Act (Pub. Res. Code, § 30710). The Port's Harbor District is bounded by the community of Wilmington to the north, City of Long Beach to the northeast and east, Long Beach Harbor to the south, and the Port of Los Angeles and community of San Pedro to the west (Figure 1).

Project Description/Proposed Plan: The PMP Update serves as a long-range plan to establish policies and guidelines for future development within the coastal zone boundary of the Port. The PMP Update is needed to incorporate previous PMP amendments and update the existing 1990 PMP to reflect changes in the global shipping industry, technological advances, and important factors such as climate change and energy resources consistent with Green Port Policy objectives. The PMP Update is also necessary to re-evaluate land uses to ensure permitting flexibility for future development in the Port.

The Proposed Plan consists of planning area changes and potential projects. Planning area changes include a reduction in the number of planning districts from ten to seven; modifications to planning district boundaries; modifications to existing land and water uses; and addition of new land and water uses within planning districts.



Following the public review period, the Port will prepare responses to all comments submitted regarding the Draft PEIR. Following preparation of the responses to comments, the Final PEIR and other associated documents, the Port will issue a formal notice to announce when the Board of Harbor Commissioners will consider the Final PEIR and the Proposed Plan.

If you would like to request a hard copy of the document or if you need additional information, please contact Janna Morimoto at (562) 283-7100 or janna.morimoto@polb.com.

Sincerely,

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Port of Long Beach

Attachments: State Clearinghouse Notice of Completion & Environmental Document

Transmittal Form (SCH #2018081024); 15 copies of the PEIR Executive Summary; and 15 USB drives containing electronic copies of the PEIR

Figure 1. Harbor District Boundary Map

