



April 7, 2013

Item Th.6  
Oppose Waiver

Chair Mary Shallenberger, and Commissioners  
California Coastal Commission  
45 Fremont Street, Suite 2000  
San Francisco, CA 94105

**Re: Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Waiver 2-12-012 – W**

Dear Chair Shallenberger and Commissioners,

I am writing you on behalf of the Surfrider Foundation San Mateo Chapter to strongly object to the granting of the proposed Waiver which would allow dredging of 5,600 cubic yards of material at the existing boat launch ramp at Pillar Point Harbor without a Coastal Development Permit. Surfrider absolutely objects to the proposed placement of the dredged material on Perch Beach, especially since there are several alternatives where addition of these spoils would provide a benefit to public access and shoreline protection. For example protection of the northwest Shore Line Trail or erosion mitigation at Surfers Beach.

Perched Beach provides safe access for several public activities such as Kayaking, Standup paddling and much more. This area has already been assaulted twice by unwise deposition of dredged material, once in 1999 and again in 2006, in both instances making beach access sequentially more difficult. We urge you to protect Public Access at this special place and deny the Waiver and rule in a manner consistent with the Coastal Act.

Sincerely yours,

Edmundo Larenas

San Mateo Chapter Chair