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BOLSA CHICA PLANNING COALITION

The staff of the State Lands Commission has been invited by Orange County and the City of Newport Beach to participate in the recently announced Bolsa Chica Planning Coalition (BCPC). The Coalition's stated mission is: "To prepare an alternative plan to the adopted County Bolsa Chica Land Use Plans for presentation to the County Board of Supervisors and other governmental agencies in six months or less from November 21, 1988."

The BCPC had its initial meeting on November 21, 1988. Its formation was conceived by Harriett M. Wieder, Chairman of the Orange County Board of Supervisors whose Second District includes Bolsa Chica, and John Erskine, Mayor of the City of Huntington Beach, because "...it was becoming apparent that a majority of the citizens of Huntington Beach were opposed to the navigable entrance at this time." The unincorporated area of Bolsa Chica is surrounded by the City of Huntington Beach and is expected to be annexed to the City if and when it is developed.

The coalition is organized into two major component groups and will meet bi-weekly for the next six months and be assisted by a mediator. The principle negotiating group, which is to operate by consensus, will be comprised of the following:

- o Orange County - one supervisor and one aide
- o City of Huntington Beach - two councilmembers

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- o Amigos De Bolsa Chica - two designees
- o Signal Landmark, Inc. - two senior company representatives
- o State Lands Commission - two Commission staff representatives

The second group is to serve as a technical support group and will include: Shell Western E & P Inc.; the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District; Seal Beach LCP Citizen's Advisory Committee; Citizens Against Relocation of Pacific Coast Highway (CARP); United States Fish and Wildlife Service; United States Environmental Protection Agency; California Coastal Conservancy; California Coastal Commission; California Department of Fish and Game; and Senator Marian Bergeson's office.

Members of the Coalition have pledged to commit the resources necessary to attempt a compromise solution to the 18-year old controversy surrounding the future of Bolsa Chica. Until a compromise alternative is reached, Signal Landmark, Inc. has indicated it will continue to pursue the Coastal Commission's confirmation of the conditionally approved Orange County Bolsa Chica Land Use Plan (LUP).

Staff believes that it is in the best interests of the Commission's present and future interests in Bolsa Chica for it to participate in the BCPC. Accordingly, in response to Supervisor Wieder's request of November 15, 1988, the Commission's Executive Officer has designated James F. Trout, Assistant Executive Officer and Curtis Fossum, Senior Counsel with Daniel Gorfain, Senior Staff Manager, in the Division of Research and Planning, as Mr. Trout's alternate as the Commission's representatives to the Coalition. No staff will keep the Commission advised of the Coalition's progress and seek Commission direction on proposals presented to the Coalition for decision.