Beach Ecology Coalition ("Beach Eco") 6th Annual Field Day at the Beach

Geared toward beach managers, lifeguards, beach workers, and coastal scientists.

Wednesday May 27, 2009 (10 am to 2 pm) Cabrillo Beach Coastal Park, San Pedro, Los Angeles County 3720 Stephen M. White Drive, San Pedro, CA 90731

AGENDA:

- **9:45** Sign in and light refreshments at the historic **Cabrillo Bathhouse** (just at the entrance to the parking lot).
- **10:00** Welcome from President **Dennis Simmons** and introductions.
- **10:15** Welcome from Aquarium Director **Mike Schaadt.** Beach grooming demonstration on upper beach showing the grunion grooming protocol and demonstration of the location of grunion eggs on the beach.
- **10:45** Overview of the sand replenishment project on the inner beach.
- **11:00** Aquarium Director **Mike Schaadt** will discuss some of the management decisions for this Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation facility, including mechanized maintenance, natural areas for wildlife, swimming health concerns, and educational outreach.
- Noon Lunch (provided) and open discussion.
- **12:45** Beach Ecology Coalition agenda item: organizational questions.
- **1:30** Opportunity to visit the **Cabrillo Marine Aquarium** including its new addition.

"With its spectacular natural setting adjacent to Cabrillo Beach Coastal Park and the Port of Los Angeles, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium is uniquely suited to its leadership role in marine science education, aquaculture research and community recreation. The historic Frank Gehry-designed aquarium displays the largest collection of Southern California marine life in the world." **www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org**

Please plan to attend this event to see this busy multi-use recreation area and converse with all your colleagues about issues of common concern. The program, lunch, and all materials are provided at no charge thanks to support from NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service–Southwest Region, Habitat Conservation Division, Coastal America Foundation, and the City of Los Angeles.

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