

Good evening. My name is George Bregante. I am a Board Member of the Channel Island Neighborhood Counsel (CINC) and a volunteer on CINC's Marine Advisory Committee (MAC).

We have reviewed the Public Works **Staff Recommendations** regarding the **3 Structural Mitigation Strategies** presented in yellow in "Table 2"

The three Structural Mitigation Strategies are:

- **Wilson Park Infiltration BMP**
- **Oliveira Plaza Parking Lot Infiltration BMP**
- **Agricultural Run Off Treatment System**

The **Wilson Park** Infiltration BMP is located some 4 miles from the harbor and only represents a small runoff tributary area. This strategy should be deferred to a later phase in favor of focusing fiscal resources on Agricultural Run Off Treatment.

The **Oliveira Plaza Parking Lot BMP** strategy proposes a costly project that handles only a portion of the runoff that enters the harbor via Oxnard West Drain running along Channel Island Blvd. We believe a more cost-effective strategy would be to place a filtration system on the Oxnard West drain that collects pollutants from a larger collection area before it directly drains into the harbor.

We support the third, **Agricultural Run Off Treatment System** that might include filtration and or tail recovery systems near the outfalls of Doris Drain, 5<sup>th</sup> Street Drain and Wooley Drain as these directly address the Contaminants of Concern

We contend that Run Off Treatment strategies deployed at the outfalls of the main ditch delivery systems, would treat the key pollutant sources collected from a much larger tributary area upstream of the canal, and do so for similar costs as the proposed infiltration basins.

With limited public resources and potential limited grant funding opportunities, we need to be wise about which mitigation strategies are adopted and move forward.

The city's report presents dozens of potential strategies; however, we need to select the **most cost effective** knowing that we may only be able to realistically construct a very few strategies.

If we don't control the pollutant loading at Edison Canal, every circulation or harbor treatment becomes permanently more expensive and less effective. Remember source reduction is cheaper than perpetual treatment

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