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## Coastal Commission Unanimously Approves Dana Point Harbor Revitalization Plan

The County has long been preparing for its day in front of the California Coastal Commission to approve the Local Coastal Amendment which puts us much closer to the long awaited revitalization improvements in Dana Point Harbor. It is with great enthusiasm that I inform you that after years of persistence and hours of public testimony yesterday, the California Coastal Commission unanimously supported our plan for Dana Point Harbor.

"This approval takes us one step closer to realizing our goal of revitalizing Dana Point Harbor," stated Supervisor Patricia Bates, Chair of the Orange County Board of Supervisors.

Next steps for the Harbor Revitalization Plan involve various phases for projects on both the waterside and the landside. The County will prepare specific projects for Coastal Development Permits (CDP) within each specific planning area as appropriate. All of these projects will be based on the policies contained within the new Local Coastal Program approved last night. Phase one is anticipated to be the landside commercial core which includes new designs for increased public parking and launch ramp, shops, restaurants and the Festival Plaza - an open gathering area for the public. Several water quality improvements will be incorporated into the designs, as well as enhanced public access to this precious section of the coast. We should all congratulate our businesses, our boaters, and our county and city staff.

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