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From: SoCal 350 <socalclimateaction@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 17, 2021 12:06 PM
To: CSLC CommissionMeetings
Subject: COMMENT: Orange County Flood Control District - Item 21

Attention: This email originated from outside of SLC and should be treated with extra caution.

Good Day -

We submit this email on Sunday morning with concern that we continue to wait for a staff report to make substantive comments.

Our collective environmental NGOs that have been following this issue for years and testifying at CCC hearings, have advocated the SLC staff to postpone this item until their originally planned hearing of December given the fact that negotiations with the County of Orange Flood Control District have not come together as yet.

When our environmental NGOs originally met via Zoom with SLC staff months ago about this longstanding issue we have been fighting for six years, we were advised that this item couldn't be heard until December due to the complexities involved, including how to deal with the impacts of trespassing and off-leash dogs on Western Snowy Plover and Least Tern that are impacted significantly by these intrusions. However, here we are just days from the hearing without a staff report. This lack makes it extremely difficult to organize speakers from our communities. We are deeply concerned how the staff report would deal hearsay we have received from one CDFW warden last Sunday when the County began opening the protective berm in the Santa Ana River mouth following the recent oil spill. Our monitors noted an oil sheen on the water in the river mouth, thus the Sierra Club call to CalTips and a request for oversight.

Once again, we ask for a postponement of this item to allow for true public participation. SLC staff is unable to advise, as of Friday afternoon, when a staff report will be posted. This is unfair to all parties involved. The reason we are given for the late staff report posting is that SLC staff is still "negotiating" with the County. If the County was at all interested in complying with SLC staff's requests, these "negotiations" could have been wrapped up weeks ago. The County has pushed back on CCC staff for the last six years and now they are doing the same with SLC staff. All to the detriment of the finite natural resources in this area.

Thank you for considering our request for a postponement until "negotiations" can be completed and the public allowed adequate time to review the staff report and make substantive and meaningful comments next week.

Sincerely,

Jack Eidt

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From: PENNY ELIA <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, October 16, 2021 10:46 AM
To: CSLC CommissionMeetings
Subject: COMMENT - Orange County Flood Control District - Item #21

Attention: This email originated from outside of SLC and should be treated with extra caution.

Good morning -

I am submitting this email on Saturday morning as I have been waiting for some time for a staff report so that I could actually make substantive comments.

Our collective environmental NGOs that have been following this issue for years and testifying at CCC hearings, have begged SLC staff to postpone this item until their originally planned hearing of December given the fact that negotiations with the County of Orange Flood Control District seem to have failed thus far.

When our environmental NGOs originally met via Zoom with SLC staff months ago about this longstanding issue we have been fighting for six years, we were advised that this item couldn't possibly be heard until December due to the complexities involved, including how to deal with the impacts of trespassing and off-leash dogs on Western Snowy Plover and Least Tern that are attempting to utilize this area unsuccessfully. However, here we are in October just days from the hearing without a staff report. This lack of staff report makes it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to organize speakers from the environmental community. We are all merely guessing at what might be in the staff report given the hearsay we have received from one CDFW warden last Sunday when the County began opening the protective berm in the Santa Ana River mouth following the recent oil spill. Our monitors noted an oil sheen on the water in the river mouth, thus our call to CalTips and a request for oversight.

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Thank you for considering our request for a postponement until "negotiations" can be completed and the public allowed adequate time to review the staff report and make substantive and meaningful comments next week.

Sincerely,

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From: Dan Silver < >
Sent: Saturday, October 16, 2021 1:30 PM
To: CSLC CommissionMeetings
Subject: Item 21, October 21, 2021

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Gentlepersons:

On behalf of Endangered Habitats League, I would like to respectfully request postponement. The Orange County lease renewal is a complex matter and, at this time, the staff report is not available. It would be beneficial to the public to allow adequate time for review and comment.

Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,
Dan Silver

Dan Silver, Executive Director
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