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Hello Ms. Deobroski, Using the "public comment" button on your email defaults to my work email, but I am sending this as an individual, not representing my employer nor any of the newspapers or other media outlets for which I write. Therefore, I could not use that button, and I am instead replying to your email from a non-work email account, hoping that will suffice as a site to submit a comment on the State Clearinghouse No. 2022100043 ADDENDUM TO THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT RINCON PHASE 2 DECOMMISSIONING PROJECT October 2025.

The project described in the EIR addendum seems like it is just for procedural matters related to the land adjacent to the pier and Rincon Island. However, every step in this process could have bearing on the potential for future uses. As indicated in the document, there is a possibility of coordination with a Native American group for use of the island, potentially including publicly accessible activities.

You will likely hear from some who would rather eliminate the island, limit its use, promote regulations making extensive use of it unfeasible, or otherwise object to this EIR addendum, hoping to delay potential projects. Those may be the loudest voices, since this group may include ideologically zealous people who oppose anything artificial in the ocean. You may also hear from people who have a personal concern, whose quiet and isolated access to a section of California beach may be diminished if they have to share it with many other Californians wanting to enjoy it in a different way.

Part of the California State Lands Commission's job is to provide the people of California with "effective stewardship of the lands, waterways, and resources entrusted to its care." The pier and the island are now resources, regardless of the fact that they were constructed. The Commission provides this stewardship "based on the principles of equity, sustainability, and resiliency." Equity is best served by maximizing access, helping people who do not own a boat or live next to the ocean enjoy it. A tremendous way to enjoy it is to walk out onto a pier. The commission is committed to reaching these principles "through preservation, restoration, enhancement, responsible economic development, and the promotion of public access." Please preserve the island and pier, and please do not allow this environmental document to become a tool for those who want to delay the project. Continue the soil remediation to the extent necessary for public use. Enhance the site on the shore, and promote public access by making it potentially useful as a parking lot for use by people who could access the island.

It would be a fun tourist attraction, getting more Los Angelenos to pull off the freeway and spend money in Ventura County on their way to Santa Barbara. It could even become an iconic Ventura County site, enhancing our reputation as a "tourist friendly" area.

Thank you,

David Goldstein

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**Subject:** Release of Addendum to the Rincon Phase 2 Decommissioning Project Final EIR

On October 1, the State Lands Commission (Commission), as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), released an [Addendum](#) to the [Final Environmental Impact Report \(EIR\) for the Rincon Phase 2 Decommissioning Project](#).

The Commission certified the Final EIR and approved the Rincon Phase 2 Decommissioning Project on August 29, 2024 ([Item 71](#)). The Final EIR covers decommissioning activities on Rincon Island, the connecting pipeline across Mussel Shoals, and the Onshore Facility. Since certification, the Commission and Coast Ranch Family LLC, entered into an agreement whereby a connected, privately owned parcel of land that supported state oil production was donated to the state (the "Coast Ranch Parcel"). Because the state now owns the entire combined parcel (Onshore Facility and Coastal Ranch Parcel) encompassing all former oil treatment facilities, it can decommission and remediate that expanded area under Phase 3 of the Rincon Decommissioning Project, which will include final decommissioning and site remediation.

An Addendum to the 2024 Final EIR was developed to analyze the impact of adding the former Coast Ranch Parcel to the Phase 3 remediation work at the Onshore Facility. The Addendum concludes that no new impacts will occur beyond those analyzed in the 2024 EIR, and no new mitigation measures are required.

On October 14, 2025, the Commission will consider adopting the Addendum and authorizing staff to solicit for contractors to undertake the Rincon Decommissioning Project. A staff report will be posted on the Commission's website in advance of the meeting that will inform the Commission's decision. The Commission welcomes [public comment](#) as part of their deliberative process.

For more information go to [Rincon Onshore and Offshore Facilities](#).

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