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Comment (below) on Item 36.

From: David Goldstein [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, October 3, 2025 11:12 AM

To: Dobroski, Nicole@SLC <Nicole.Dobroski@slc.ca.gov>

Subject: Fwd: Rincon EIR

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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

Ventura, CA

From: Dobroski, Nicole@SLC Nicole.Dobroski@slc.ca.gov

Sent: Thursday, October 2, 2025 9:57 AM

To: Dobroski, Nicole@SLC Nicole.Dobroski@slc.ca.gov

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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**VENTURA COUNTY
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT**
Memorandum

TO: California State Lands Commission DATE: October 13, 2025

FROM: Nicole Collazo, Air Quality Specialist, Planning Division *NC*

SUBJECT: Rincon Phase 2 Decommissioning Project Addendum to Final Environmental Impact Report

Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) staff has reviewed the subject Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project referenced above, which analyzed the environmental impacts 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. The Lead Agency is the California State Lands Commission (SLC).

APCD has the following comments regarding the project's Addendum to the Final EIR.

- 1) Pages 1-10-11. The Addendum EIR states that a dedicated equipment fueling area will be installed. If the fuel container is for gasoline and has a capacity of 550 gallons or more, it may be subject to APCD Rules 70, [Storage and Transfer of Gasoline](#), and 10, [Permits Required](#), with possible permits to be obtained. In addition, any proposed generators powered by diesel engines over 50 HP used during construction activities may require APCD permits. Please contact the APCD Engineering Division at engineering@vcapcd.org or 805-303-3688 prior to construction of the container to inquire if permits and/or rule compliance is required.
- 2) MM-AQ-1. APCD would like to stress the importance of making mitigation measure AQ-1 enforceable with emphasis on the requirement to use only Tier 3 and Tier 4 EPA-rated diesel off-road construction equipment as the construction emissions exceeded the recommended construction screening threshold of 25 lbs. per day for NOx for projects occurring in Ventura County. This may be implemented by adding it as a condition of approval on any applicable discretionary permits, grading permits, demolition permits, etc. In addition, this mitigation measure is included as part of other mitigation measures for other environmental impacts addressed in the FEIR (Geology and Soils, Land Use and Planning).
- 3) The proposed removal of contaminated soil may be subject to APCD's Rule 74.9, [Soil Decontamination Operations](#), specifically, having an on-site treatment of contaminated soil if not removed within 30 days of excavation, truck transport requirements, etc. Please contact the APCD

Engineering Division at the contact information in Item 1 above for more information about how the contaminated soil excavation activities will have to comply with APCD Rule 74.29.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Addendum EIR. If you have any questions, you may contact me at nicole@vcapcd.org.