

San Dieguito Wetlands Restoration Project

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Welcome!

Our quarterly e-newsletter will provide you with current information about how the San Dieguito Wetlands are being restored. In this issue, topics include:



Project Description

The San Dieguito Wetlands Restoration Project will restore 150 acres of coastal wetlands in the San Dieguito River Valley within the City of Del Mar and City of San Diego. This project is estimated to take approximately 3 years to complete. The restoration's main features include:

- restoring tidal wetlands areas
- constructing berms & associated drainage and slope protection measures
- vegetating dredge disposal areas
- constructing nesting sites
- improving beach access along the river from Camino Del Mar
- excavating & maintaining the San Dieguito river inlet channel to maintain tidal exchange

Work Activities: Permit Status

The project team is still working hard to get permit #21 of 21, which is the last remaining permit. To do so, the team is responding to data requests by the California Coastal Commission (CCC) staff. Trailers that you may have seen in the project area are a sign of the team's intention to start as soon as the CCC issues the permit.

The construction schedule, however, depends upon where the birds have nested at the time that this last permit is issued. Those locations are being tracked, but can only be finally determined when we have the permit in hand. Based on the location of the birds and their nests, the contractor may be able to work in limited locations versus the whole site, as originally intended.

Restoration work hours are Monday - Friday, 7:00 am - 7:00 pm.

Community Outreach

We want to keep you informed about how we proceed with the work and answer questions that you may have. Please feel free to email or call:

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Project Factoids

Two million cubic yards of earth...

will be moved in the restoration process.



247 acres...

will be excavated and dredged to create and restore coastal wetlands.



September 2000...

was the last time that the inlet was excavated and dredged.



13.7 acres of flat nesting area...

will be created and improved for the California least tern, western snowy plover, and other shorebirds.

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