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SOLANA BEACH COASTAL STORM DAMAGE REDUCTION & BEACH REPLENISHMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION BEGINS TOMORROW

Solana Beach, CA – Equipment mobilization for the Solana Beach and Encinitas Coastal Storm Damage Reduction & Beach Replenishment Project will begin in Solana Beach this Tuesday, January 16th. To facilitate mobilization of the equipment by the contractor, beginning early this Tuesday morning, the City will implement a temporary, short-term public safety related closure of the Fletcher Cove parking lot, the Fletcher Cove Park overlook and the public beach access ramp signaling the official start of this long-awaited federal, 50-year beach sand replenishment project. The closures of the parking lot, beach overlook and access ramp are necessary to protect public safety while the contractor delivers the equipment needed to restore the City's beaches.

We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this activity might cause and will attempt to minimize these closures to the extent feasible. Please note that the City's three other public coastal access points remain open including the Tide Park beach access stairway, Del Mar Shores beach access stairway and the Seascape Sur public access stairway. Those wishing to observe the initial operations should do so from the Fletcher Cove Community Center beach overlook area.

To ensure public safety, the beach and water will be temporarily closed in the vicinity of active sand placement operations which will begin on Wednesday January 17th and will occur 7 days a week, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM for approximately 60 days.

During active construction, the public may experience increased heavy equipment and vehicles on the beach, temporary closures of sections of the beach during active sand placement, fencing to protect public safety, water turbidity, and extra shorebird activity as shorebirds love to forage in the dredged material.

The City greatly appreciates the continued support, cooperation and patience of the community. More information on the Project is available at [Solana Beach Shoreline Project \(Sand Replenishment\) | Solana Beach \(cityofsolanabeach.org/beachsand\)](http://Solana Beach Shoreline Project (Sand Replenishment) | Solana Beach (cityofsolanabeach.org/beachsand)).

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