

ATTACHMENT B

Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment Process

The County's 2010 General Plan only covers the non-Coastal areas of the County. The 1982 General Plan which incorporates the LCP remains in place for the Coastal areas. An update of the LCP and related documents is included on the Long Range Planning Work Program. This assignment includes a number of specific issues including the ultimate certification of the LCP by the Coastal Commission. A recent Board Referral from Supervisor Potter requests that the Coastal LUACs be consulted during the process. The Long Range Planning Team has developed a proposed approach to undertaking the assignment that is summarized below:

Update Purpose:

- Update information, including removing no longer relevant policy or information
- Incorporate State required elements: 1) 2003 Periodic Review; 2) changes in State law (e.g. greenhouse gas emissions, water conservation, etc)
- Address community concerns (e.g. Board referrals)
- Provide consistency with relevant County policies

Proposed Format:

- Develop a five part LCP – Part 1 being General Provisions that are not regulated under the Coastal Act (e.g. Noise and Safety Elements), and any relevant policies that apply to all areas.
- Parts 2-5 would consist of an update to the combined Land Use Plan (LUP)/Coastal Implementation Plan (CIP) for each area - delete obsolete/completed policies; add/amend policies where appropriate.

Proposed Approach:

- The Board of Supervisors determines appropriate citizens' committee for each LUP Area.
- Citizens' committee provided with the background documents and invited to review and comment on the current LUP/CIP and 2003 Periodic Review comments for their specific area.
- Based on current requirements and input received from the citizens' committees, Staff prepares an initial draft of Part 1 and presents it to each citizen's committee.
- The citizens' committees prepare a list of recommendations on the update of the LUP for their area and present recommendations at workshops with Staff
- Staff coordinates with Coastal Commission Staff as appropriate.
- Staff prepares a presentation to the Planning Commission at a workshop that includes the citizen committee's recommendations and input from Coastal Commission Staff.
- The Planning Commission provides direction to Staff to refine a draft LCP.
- Staff revises the draft LCP and conducts environmental/public review.
- Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing and make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.
- The Board of Supervisors will consider the draft LCP and adopt a resolution of intent of the action and forward the resolution to the California Coastal Commission (CCC)
- The CCC will consider the draft LCP and certify the LCP amendments and send back to the BOS for final adoption.