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***VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL***

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Re: Capistrano Bay Community Services District (the “**District**”) Special Tax for Shoreline Protection (Rebuttal)

Dear Members of the Board:

The Coalition to Protect Capistrano Beach (“**Coalition**”) strongly supports the District’s proposed parcel tax because it will raise revenues to protect the Beach Road shoreline. Opponents of the proposed parcel tax object to additional taxes and believe that parcel tax funds should not be spent on legal challenges against the California Coastal Commission (“**CCC**”).

Shoreline erosion is an existential threat facing the Beach Road Community that requires a dedicated funding source to challenge the CCC and implement capital and maintenance projects to protect the Beach Road Community. The total proposed tax over 7 years will only be \$18,857 per parcel (average of \$2,571 per year) and the taxes will automatically expire in 7 years. The Coalition believes that the taxes will not be overly burdensome, especially since the alternative of doing nothing could lead to the loss of homes to shoreline erosion and the diminished value of properties.

It should be underscored that the opponents of the tax have not proposed any alternative solution to combat shoreline erosion, and while the opponents claim that the tax is objectionable, the District polled homeowners in the Beach Road Community and approximately 93% supported the tax.

The Coalition firmly believes that the special tax is critical to the protection of homeowners and families along Beach Road from the increasing threat of coastal erosion. **To reiterate, the Coalition strongly supports the proposed special tax. It is critical to the future of this community that you vote “YES” on this issue.**

Sincerely,

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