

CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT
AGENDA REPORT
APRIL MEETING
February 24, 2026

Shoreline Committee

ITEM 7a

Miller CDP Application Status

The Planning Commission approved the CDP application at their hearing on Monday, February 9th. The Shoreline Committee and legal counsel fully expected this outcome and now the permit application goes to the Coastal Commission for review (all CDP's issued by the City get reviewed by the CCC before the permit is deemed fully approved).

The action by the Planning Commission triggers the following timeline: 15 calendar days for City Council to bless the approval; then 7 days to send the application off to the CCC; once received by the CCC, they will have 10 working days to appeal. If the CCC appeals, then they have 49 days to hold a threshold/substantial issue hearing. If the CCC finds substantial issue, then they take jurisdiction over the application. At this point, there is no further time limitation on the CCC and they can take as long as they want to have a hearing. This does not come as a surprise to the Committee since this has been the CCC's practice for the past five years.

ITEM 7b

South OC Beach Coalition Meetings

The Coalition, under the guidance of our Fifth District Supervisor, Katrina Foley, continues to progress in its efforts to transition to a formal County Government Body, pursuing educational, logistical, and financial opportunities for the purpose of advancing beach nourishment and sand replenishment in South Orange County.

With the adoption of the Memorandum of Understanding and Bylaws on Feb. 10th at the Board of Supervisors meeting, the Coalition is now recognized as an official County body.

A key item of discussion at the recent Coalition meeting on Feb. 18th was the progress with the OC SCOOP program (Orange County Sand Compatibility and Opportunistic Placement), expected to be completed in about August 2026. This program is crafted to streamline regulatory approvals for small (less than 150,000 cubic yards) beach nourishment projects. The program pre-qualifies selected beaches and obtains the permits so that when sand becomes available, permits are already processed and instead of 2-3 years for entitlement, it is only 2-3 months for organizing the logistics of actually moving the sand from source to receiver site.