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CALENDAR EVENT

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NOAA Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Meeting

- **What:** The public is invited to attend a hybrid meeting of NOAA's Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary (CINMS) Advisory Council. This meeting will feature Council member announcements, the sanctuary superintendent's report, presentations on upcoming CINMS projects, and more.
- When: Friday, July 19, 2024; 9:00 a.m. 12:25 p.m. PT
- Where: In-person at the Guthrie Hall, Ventura College or online via Google Meet
- **Who:** Advisory Council members representing commercial fishing, recreational fishing, non-consumptive recreation, tourism, business, research, education, conservation, the Chumash community, public-at-large, and government agencies; and sanctuary superintendent Chris Mobley.

Draft Meeting Agenda (is subject to change; please check the <u>Meeting Announcements web page</u> for the most up-to-date information)

- 9:00 am Welcome, Council Member Announcements, Sanctuary Superintendent's Report
- 10:20 am Chumash Community Working Group
- 10:40 am California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) Council on Ocean Affairs, Science and Technology (COAST)
- 11:10 pm Working Group & Subcommittee & Charter Renewal Discussions
- 11:50 pm A Review of Plastic Pollution in West Coast Sanctuaries
- 12:05 pm Public Comment
- 12:15 pm Close Out and Next Step
- 12:25 pm Adjourn, Optional Post-Meeting Lunch

For more information, visit <u>channelislands.noaa.gov/sac/welcome.html</u>. Media resources are available at <u>channelislands.noaa.gov/news/media_resources.html</u>.

Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary protects 1,470 square miles of marine resources surrounding San Miguel, Santa Rosa, Santa Cruz, Anacapa, and Santa Barbara Islands. Designated in 1980, the sanctuary encompasses a rich diversity of marine life, habitats, and historic and contemporary cultural resources and values. The Advisory Council provides advice to the sanctuary superintendent and serves as a forum for consultation and deliberation for the community, assuring public input to management decision-making and helping expand public awareness about the sanctuary and its resources. Regular public meetings are held every two months. For additional information, visit <u>channelislands.noaa.gov</u> and <u>facebook.com/ChannelIslandsNMS</u>.