



Updating Shoreline Policy Documents

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1983 El Nino Unprecedented Storm Damage in California

Oceanside Strand,
El Nino Winter of 1983



Crystal Pier Storm Damage



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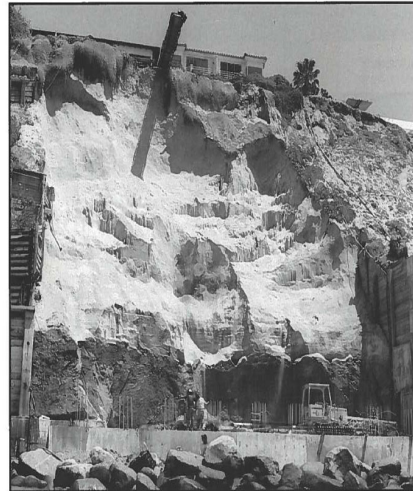
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Proliferation of Seawalls

Leucadia in 1991



Leucadia in 1992

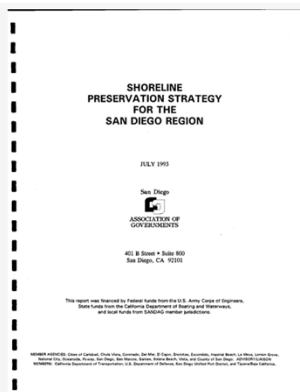


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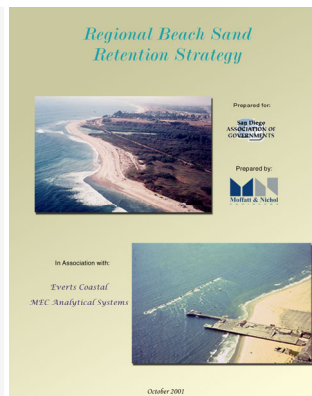
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July 1993



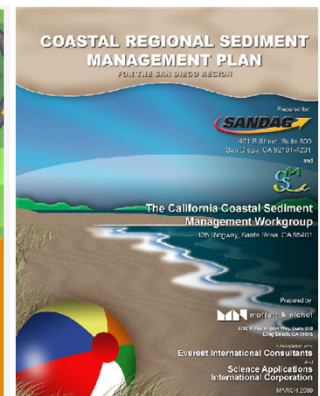
October 2001



March 2006



March 2009



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Shoreline Policy Taskforce

- A SANDAG technical taskforce: short term, non-Brown Act group that allows for in depth discussions around specific technical topic.
 - 3-5 members of the SPWG voting members
 - Technical advisors
- Anticipated: 2-hour meeting 5 times over the next 12 months
- The Policy Taskforce will provide input on technical topic areas including:
 - Defining vision and strategy for regional shoreline preservation
 - Shoreline monitoring and lagoon management
 - Sand retention devices
 - Economics and funding
- Recommendations will help staff define and update policies for Shoreline Preservation Working Group consideration

Proposed Schedule

Date	Group	Topic or Action
March 5, 2026	Shoreline Preservation Working Group	Science of Shoreline Preservation
May - Dec 2026	Policy Taskforce Meeting #1 Policy Taskforce Meeting #2 Policy Taskforce Meeting #3 Policy Taskforce Meeting #4	Vision and Strategy Regional Monitoring and Lagoon Management Sand Retention Devices Economics and Funding
January 2027	Policy Taskforce Meeting #5	Review of Draft Policies
March 4, 2027	Shoreline Preservation Working Group	Review of Draft Policies
April – May 2027	Public Review	60-day public review
June 3, 2027	Shoreline Preservation Working Group	Recommendation on Final Policy to RPC and BOD
July – Sept 2027	Regional Planning Committee and Board of Directors	RPC and BOD action

Next Steps



- SPWG members interested in participating on the Shoreline Policy Taskforce are requested to submit an email to Courtney.Becker@sandag.org by **January 02, 2026.**



- SANDAG will host the first meeting in Spring 2026 and report back to the Shoreline Preservation Working Group at subsequent meetings.

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