

## March 7, 2025

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To: Karl Schwing District Director, San Diego Coast California Coastal Commission

## Re: Th21a - Application No. 6-08-110-A4 (Encinitas SCOUP, Encinitas)

Honorable Commissioners,

The Surfrider Foundation is a nonprofit grassroots organization dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of our world's ocean, waves, and beaches through a powerful network. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this permit amendment for the City of Encinitas' SCOUP program.

Surfrider is supportive of the proposed SCOUP program permit amendments. We appreciate both the ongoing and updated Special Conditions to minimize negative impacts to the beach and public access, as well as the various pre- and postmonitoring criteria for turbidity, surfing impacts, and how long the sand remains on the beach. We also appreciate the stringent criteria to ensure that opportunistically placed sand is appropriate and compatible to each receiver beach.

As our chapter has fielded several emails and phone calls from local beachgoers who were confused and concerned about a SCOUP project taking place on the beach, we are highly supportive of the conditions requiring public notification of SCOUP projects. We agree that in addition to the required public signage onsite, the City of Encinitas should post detailed information about SCOUP projects on their website. Additional notification via social media, email newsletters, and mailers to local residents are also appreciated, even if optional.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this permit amendment.

Sincerely,

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