

**DATE:** July 11, 2019  
**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** John Pietig, City Manager  
**SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES**

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**Wildfire Mitigation City Council Subcommittee Releases Fire Safety Plan** - The Laguna Beach City Council Wildfire Mitigation and Fire Safety Subcommittee has released its report identifying and prioritizing additional programs, mitigation measures, staffing and equipment needed to reduce the current level of high fire risk and exposure to wildfires in Laguna Beach. A detailed copy of the Subcommittee's report can be found at [http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/pw/wildfire\\_mitigation\\_and\\_fire\\_safety.htm](http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/pw/wildfire_mitigation_and_fire_safety.htm). This item will be presented to the City Council at its July 23, 2019, regularly scheduled meeting.

**Laguna Beach's Ocean Water Quality Among State's Cleanest** - Laguna Beach's Victoria Beach is one of thirty-three California beaches named to this year's Heal the Bay Honor Roll, a list of locations that scored perfect A+ grades for water quality each week in all seasons and all-weather conditions. To make the list, a beach must be monitored year-round. Heal the Bay gives A-F letter grades to beaches based on levels of weekly bacteria measurements by county health agencies. Only 33 of 500 beaches earned an honor spot on the list. The City of Laguna Beach continues to dedicate significant resources and effort to prevent urban runoff pollution from ever reaching the ocean. The City's Water Quality Department staff removes an average of eight tons of debris and sediment annually from 17 of the City's urban water diversions. Remaining street pollution is captured before it reaches the beach and is sent to the sanitary sewer system for treatment.

**Junior Lifeguards** - Registration for Session 2 of the 2019 Junior Lifeguard Program is still open. Session 2 begins on Monday, July 15. Participants must pass the required swim test or have participated in the 2018 Program to be eligible to register. The last swim tests for this year will be held on Friday, July 12, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, July 13, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Laguna Beach High School Community Pool, located at 670 Park Avenue. Registrations for Session 2 will also be taken on-site at the pool. Additional information about the Junior Lifeguard Program is available at: <http://bit.ly/2RAIQcl>, or call (949) 497-0788 if you have questions.

**SCE Pole Replacements** - Southern California Edison (SCE) will be working in three areas of town next week. For questions or concerns, please contact SCE's Customer Service number at (800) 655-4555.

- **1850 Glenneyre Street** - On Monday, July 15, between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., SCE will be replacing a utility pole located at 1850 Glenneyre Street. Traffic lanes at Glenneyre Street will be maintained, but shifted, in the vicinity of the work between Pearl Street and Center Street.
- **320 Legion Street** - On Tuesday, July 16, between 2:30 a.m. and 6:30 a.m., SCE will be replacing a utility pole located at 320 Legion Street. The work is being performed during

the night due to an outage associated with the pole replacement which will affect commercial customers in the vicinity. Portions of Goff Street, both north and south of Legion Street, will be closed during the work. Traffic control and detour signs will be posted alerting residents of the temporary road closure.

- 501 Lombardy Lane - On Thursday, July 18, between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., SCE will be replacing two utility poles located near 501 Lombardy Lane. Lombardy Lane will be closed from Anita Street to approximately 250 feet southwest of Wilson Street during the work. Traffic control signs will be posted alerting residents of the temporary road closure.