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From: Caitlin Folgner <caitlinfolgner@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 9:12 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: In support of a county resolution against offshore oil drilling (supplemental item S28D)

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Dear OC Board of Supervisors,

It's my understanding you will hear comments and vote on a county resolution against offshore oil drilling (supplemental item S28D) Wednesday 16 Dec 2025. I'd like to voice my support for any resolution seeking to curb and eliminate offshore oil drilling in Orange County.

The Trump Administration wants to drill for oil off the coast of California, my home. And if you live near the coast, it likely wants to drill near you too. The Department of the Interior released its draft five year plan for offshore oil and gas leasing that seeks to expand drilling, which I strongly oppose. Doing so puts our coastal communities, marine wildlife, public health, and the climate, at great risk.

In a time of raging wildfires in California, record-high temperatures, and places across the US still recovering from hurricanes ... Americans are looking to you to protect our local economies. Economies that rely on healthy environments. Americans expect you to protect our lands for future generations, and not give away our public lands and waters to a polluting, short-sighted, profit-first industry.

We have a narrow window of time to avoid the worst impacts of climate change and usher in a just economic transition to a clean energy future. This is not the time to continue to debate the reality of Global Warming. This is the time for ACTION, to step up with the rest of the World and lead our civilization into the future, which your resolution seeks to do, and I strongly stand by your efforts. Solutions that are better for our economy and our environment have never been more affordable, more accessible, and more necessary.

Thank you for your time to review my comment. I trust that you will come to a sensible vote for our community.

Sincerely,
Caitlin Folgner
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Kim Kolpin <kim@bclandtrust.org>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 9:08 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Agenda Item S28D December 16 2026
Attachments: Agenda Item S28D SUPPORT.pdf

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To whom it may concern,
Attached please find a letter to the Orange County Board of Supervisors regarding support for Agenda Item S28D (December 16, 2026) from the Bolsa Chica Land Trust.

Thank you.

Best regards,

Kim Kolpin
Executive Director

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December 15, 2025

Orange County Board of Supervisors
400 W Civic Center Drive
Santa Ana, CA 92701

RE: SUPPORT for Agenda Item S28D

Adopt resolution opposing 5-year plan expanding new offshore oil drilling; collect public comment; and direct County Executive Office, Legislative Affairs to submit resolution and public comment to Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Dear Chair Chaffee, Supervisors Foley, Nguyen, Sarmiento, and Wagner,

Since 1992, the Bolsa Chica Land Trust (BCLT) has advocated for the preservation and restoration of the entire Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve, located on Pacific Coast Highway in Huntington Beach. Our education program brings 2,000 local students to Bolsa Chica every year to learn about our coastal habitats and watershed. Our habitat restoration program brings more than 2,500 community volunteers onto the Reserve each year to help heal damaged wildlife habitat. We represent our 5,000 members in caring for our coastal environment. Bolsa Chica sees an estimated 100,000 visitors every year. This interest and involvement from our community speaks to the significant value placed on our open spaces and wildlife habitats here in Orange County.

Oil spills are the ever-constant threat looming off our shore, and an inevitable consequence of offshore drilling. At the Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve, we protect a precious piece of the last remaining 5% of coastal wetlands in the state of California, and 900 species of wildlife that depends upon it. Forty species found at Bolsa Chica are listed as Federally and/or State Endangered, Threatened, or Species of Special Concern, State. Coastal wetlands are extremely vulnerable to the disastrous and long-lasting consequences of oil spills, with very little to protect them. As experienced with the last major oil spill on October 1, 2021, oil slicks are virtually impossible to detect at night which led to thousands of gallons being released into our coastal waters for hours before anyone knew. As soon as the spill was detected the dedicated team at Bolsa Chica deployed containment booms across the ocean inlets to the Reserve to keep the oil out. One ruptured and fortunately quickly replaced. These booms rest at the water's surface, and despite best efforts witnessed further south that October, are not completely impenetrable. The material response to oil spills off our shores is flimsy at best, even with the best efforts of OSPER, HB Fire, and CDFW, all that we have are containment booms against thousands of gallons of crude oil being pushed by unrelenting tides.

Thankfully, with the last spill, oil did not enter Bolsa Chica, however, oil covered birds flew in, and the CDFW team at Bolsa Chica spent weeks monitoring for impacts and rescuing these birds. The Huntington Wetlands to the south and our beaches were not as fortunate. The threat of another large spill is unacceptable and will significantly increase with additional offshore drilling unnecessarily proposed by the Trump administration. The Bolsa Chica Land Trust is opposition to all offshore oil drilling, and we stand with our fellow environmental and conservation organizations in saying strongly NO to the plan for more. We urge the passage of agenda item S28D to support a county resolution against offshore oil drilling.

Best regards,



Kim Kolpin
Executive Director

*The Bolsa Chica Land Trust is a Non-Profit, 501(c)3 organization. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.
Our tax ID# 33-0516059.*

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From: Joni Nichols <jonibnichols@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 9:04 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: No to off shore drilling please

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Grateful that I have the opportunity to influence your vote today. Offshore drilling carries a significant risk of catastrophic oil spills, like the Deepwater Horizon and Santa Barbara incidents, which can cause long-term, irreparable harm to marine life, delicate ecosystems, and coastlines. Even routine operations release toxic chemicals into the ocean. Thank you Katrina Foley for introducing supplemental item S28D to oppose off shore drilling.

Sincerely
Joni Nichols
Newport Beach

Guillen, Dora

From: nora pedersen <pedersennor@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 8:37 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Off shore drilling

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Please do not allow more off shore drilling for the future of our coastal cities and for the earth in general.
Nora Pedersen
Huntington Beach

Guillen, Dora

From: North OC Chair <chair@northoc.surfrider.org>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 8:28 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Supplemental S28D

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

From the Chair of Surfrider Foundation: North Orange County,

On behalf of thousands of our volunteers, the donating members to our chapter, the companies that collaborate with us, and visitors from around the world that want to enjoy the ocean, waves, and beaches along our coast, I support a resolution opposing offshore oil and gas drilling.

There is one email that haunts me from the 2021 oil spill. It was a from mother of a little girl in Anaheim Hills. While the mother was getting ready for work her daughter was watching the news reporting of the oil impacting our coastline. The little girl who should have been thinking about her day at school with her friends wanted to know if she could come down to the beach to clean the birds covered in oil. Read that again and imagine it. You are getting ready to go to work and your kid doesn't want to go to school with her friends but would rather come to the beach to take care of its creatures. It is the saddest request I have ever had and never want to see again.

Richard Busch
Chairman & Cleanup Coordinator
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From: Theresa Fili <theresafili@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 7:49 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: County Resolution Against Offshore Drilling

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I hereby request County adopt a resolution opposing the 5-year plan expanding new offshore oil drilling; collect public comment; and direct the County Executive Office, Legislative Affairs, to submit the resolution and public comment to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Theresa L. Fili

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Guillen, Dora

From: Carole <cpoea@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 7:28 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Off shore drilling

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Hello,

As a long time Orange County resident I would like to voice my opinion that a **resolution opposing offshore oil and gas drilling is best for our community and the environment.**

**Thank you,
Carole Poe
San Clemente, CA**

Sent from my iPhone

Guillen, Dora

From: Cher Scarlett <cscarlett@student.cccd.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 6:16 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Comment in Support of Supplemental Item S28D

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Dear Orange County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing as a student at Orange Coast College and Coastline College (Newport Campus), and as an off-and-on Huntington Beach resident, to express my strong support for Supplemental Item S28D: adopting a resolution opposing a five-year plan that would expand new offshore oil drilling and submitting Orange County's public comment to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM).

From an environmental perspective, expanding offshore drilling is fundamentally incompatible with protecting our local coastal ecosystems. Offshore drilling increases the risk of spills and chronic pollution that can harm marine life, degrade water quality, and damage sensitive coastal habitats. Orange County residents have already lived through the real consequences of offshore oil operations, including the October 2021 Huntington Beach pipeline leak, which impacted our coastline and community.

As a student who spends time along the coast for school, work, and recreation, I also support this resolution because the beauty of our coastline is not replaceable. Our beaches and nearshore waters are a defining part of Orange County, and have been as long as I've been alive. Playing in the ocean as a small child in the 80s in Orange County is one of the few bright memories of my childhood. These are places where families gather, students recharge, and visitors experience Orange County at its best. Industrializing the ocean horizon with expanded drilling and risking contamination undermines the natural character of the coast and the sense of place that makes this region special. I have worked with the Bolsa Chica Conservancy and the Surfrider Foundation to help keep Orange County clean and safe for humans and wildlife; in 2025, we must all be putting our effort toward this goal.

Finally, the proposed federal five-year program process matters. The County should use its voice to oppose any plan that would introduce potential lease sales within the Southern California Planning Area and advocate for long-term protection.

Please vote yes to adopt the S28D resolution and submit strong comments to BOEM opposing expanded offshore oil drilling.

Sincerely,
Cher Scarlett
Student, Coast Colleges District

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From: Michaela Coats <mcoats@surfrider.org>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 5:20 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: E-Comment: Supplemental Item S28D (Resolution Opposing Offshore Drilling)
Attachments: Surfrider - Comment Letter - Resolution Against Offshore Drilling.pdf; Drilling-Fact-Sheet_042525.pdf

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Hello,

On behalf of the North and South Orange County Chapters of the Surfrider Foundation, I am submitting an electronic comment in support of Supplemental Item S28D, a County resolution opposing the 5-year plan to expand offshore oil and gas drilling.

The full comment letter in support of the resolution is attached to this email, as well as an offshore drilling fact sheet for the Board's review.

With gratitude,

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December 15, 2025

Orange County Board of Supervisors

Submitted via email

Re: Public Comment in Support of a County Resolution Opposing 5-Year Plan to Expand Offshore Drilling (Supplemental Item S28D)

To the Honorable Members of the Orange County Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the Surfrider Foundation North Orange County and South Orange County Chapters, I write in strong support of the County of Orange adopting a resolution opposing the 5-year plan to expand offshore oil and gas drilling along our coastline.

The Surfrider Foundation is a national non-profit organization dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of the world's ocean, waves, and beaches for all people through a powerful activist network. Our two local Orange County chapters represent thousands of individuals who live, work, and recreate along this coast. From Seal Beach to San Clemente, our ocean and beaches are central to our quality of life, public health, local economy, and cultural identity.

Orange County has seen firsthand the devastating impacts of offshore oil development. The 2021 Amplify Energy spill in Huntington Beach was a devastating example of what *will* happen – not *if*, but *will* – if offshore drilling is expanded. Cleanup efforts cannot fully restore damaged ecosystems, and the economic and environmental costs far outweigh any short-term gains, especially considering California's multi-billion dollar coastal economy ([Fact Sheet](#)). And it's important to note: it's not only spills that threaten our coast. Every stage of oil drilling—including exploration, extraction, transport, and refinement—carries serious environmental and public health risks.

At a time when California and the nation are working to address climate change and transition toward cleaner, more resilient energy solutions, expanding offshore drilling moves us in the wrong direction. Protecting our coast is not only an environmental imperative but also a responsibility to future generations who deserve safe beaches, clean water, and thriving marine life.

Earlier this year, the country saw a wave of bipartisan opposition to the selling of our public lands. We are again seeing the same reaction for our public waters, where politicians, individuals, and business owners on both sides of the aisle agree that more offshore drilling is



not the future we want to see for our coast and oceans. By adopting this resolution, the Board of Supervisors would send a clear message that Orange County stands with its residents in opposing offshore drilling and in safeguarding our coastline.

Thank you for your leadership and for the opportunity to provide public comment. We respectfully urge you to adopt this resolution and continue standing up for the health of our ocean, beaches, and coastal communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Coats". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long vertical stroke at the end.

Michaela Coats
Southern California Regional Manager
Surfrider Foundation
On behalf of the North Orange County & South Orange County Chapters



Offshore Oil Drilling Fact Sheet

U.S. Coast Guard

Offshore oil and gas drilling is the commercial extraction and production of oil and gas from beneath the ocean seafloor. This fact sheet reviews the significant environmental harm caused by offshore drilling; the risks and impacts to the U.S. economy and communities; and why new drilling is not needed to secure our energy supply.

Environmental Impacts

There are serious environmental impacts associated with each stage of offshore oil and gas development.

Oil Exploration: Before drilling begins, industry surveys saturate the ocean with devastating noise pollution to locate and estimate the size of offshore oil reserves. Seismic blasting emits loud explosions that harm and can kill fish and marine mammals, while interfering with their hearing, communication, navigation, and feeding.

Oil Drilling: The routine operations of offshore drilling releases thousands of gallons of "drilling muds" that pollute the ocean with heavy metals, petroleum derivatives and other toxins. Drilling also pollutes the air through the release of harmful volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

Oil Spills: Oil spills are an inevitable part of offshore drilling and can damage entire ecosystems and communities. Since 1969, at least 48 large oil spills (over 10,000 barrels or 420,000 gallons) have occurred in U.S. waters. Hurricanes and other natural disasters can also cause major oil spills.

Processing and Transportation: Oil production requires onshore infrastructure for storage, processing, and transportation, resulting in pipelines and petrochemical plants built in coastal areas and frontline communities. Oil production also contributes to plastic pollution as over 99% of plastics are made up of chemicals derived from fossil fuels.

Environmental Justice: Onshore refineries pollute the air with carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, and other toxins, threatening public health and disproportionately impacting lower-income and communities of color. The oil industry also contributes to the extensive loss of coastal wetlands, leaving communities more vulnerable to flooding and extreme weather.

Climate Change: The largest source of greenhouse gas emissions from human activities in the U.S. is burning fossil fuels. Offshore oil and gas drilling releases billions of metric tons of carbon, exacerbating climate change and fueling increasing heat, hurricanes, floods, droughts, wildfires, rising seas, and ocean acidification.

Economic Impacts

Offshore drilling is an existential threat to our nation’s coastal recreation, tourism, and fishing industries that generate billions of dollars for the U.S. economy. These industries depend on a clean and healthy coastal and ocean environment and provide around 3.3 million jobs and \$250 billion in GDP.

Ocean tourism and recreation provide nearly ten times the amount of jobs than the offshore oil industry. Even in the Gulf of Mexico, where most offshore drilling occurs, the ocean-dependent sectors of tourism, recreation, and fishing of every Gulf state, except Texas, provide the largest employment contributions.

More Offshore Drilling Is Not Needed

New offshore drilling is not needed to ensure our nation’s energy supply. The U.S. hit an all-time high of domestic oil production in 2024 without opening any new federal lands or waters for leasing. As a net oil exporter since 2020, the U.S is energy independent and we have the technology to transition to a clean energy economy.

The oil and gas industry already has more than 12 million acres of federal waters under lease, and less than 20% of that acreage has started producing oil as of December 2024. Oil and gas companies have already stockpiled nearly 1,806 unused leases that they can use to drill at any time they choose.

OCEAN RECREATION & TOURISM: U.S. ECONOMIC DATA			
U.S. REGION	EMPLOYMENT	WAGES	GDP
Florida	396,129	\$12,335,741,187	\$25,993,684,790
South-Atlantic	316,130	\$9,349,466,557	\$20,674,902,998
Mid-Atlantic	487,242	\$16,041,653,903	\$36,846,894,964
Northeast	166,812	\$5,250,969,896	\$11,671,869,901
Gulf of Mexico	332,623	\$9,090,687,547	\$19,235,869,934
California	343,137	\$11,737,762,084	\$23,925,676,004
Pacific Northwest	19,934	\$574,700,903	\$1,170,259,506

Value Added by Ocean Tourism and Recreation Industries. Annual Gross Domestic Product (GDP) contributions in 2021 for select U.S. states and regions. [National Ocean Economics Program 2025](#).



Guillen, Dora

From: Deborah Lima <debbielima@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 5:22 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Offshore drilling

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

To the OC board of supervisors:

I'm writing to support supplemental item S28D for your opposition to new off shore drilling.

When Trump first proposed this in his first term. I went with 4 other friends to Sacramento where they held the only CA hearings on the subject of opening up new off-shore drilling. We spoke against new drilling rigs and marched with other CA resistors. My sign had an oil rig on it and it said, "This is so last century". I still think that if we're going to invest in new infrastructure, let's invest in green options. Nothing is perfect, but humans need power and we can do better than off shore rigs.

In addition, our coastal communities depend on visitors, who don't come if there are leaks and tar. I have been an activist for several years even knocking on peoples doors, in some cases no matter what the Party preference. I can tell you that OC coastal residents DO NOT WANT to see any more of those rigs, no matter which Party they joined.

Please vote to support supplemental item S28D to oppose new off-shore drilling.

Regards, Debbie Lima

Laguna Niguel homeowner

Guillen, Dora

From: Kurt Bjorkman <kurt@ranchlb.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 5:08 PM
To: COB_Response
Cc: Kurt Bjorkman
Subject: Support of S08D

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Orange County California Supplemental Item S28D is a critical measure to protect our coastline, economy, and way of life by opposing the expansion of offshore oil drilling in California waters. Our coastal tourism economy depends on clean oceans, healthy beaches, and unspoiled marine ecosystems—assets that offshore drilling directly threatens through the risk of spills, industrialization of the seascape, and long-term environmental damage. As a coastal resort, our business is intrinsically tied to the natural beauty and environmental health of the shoreline; any degradation of ocean or coastal resources would be profoundly detrimental to our guests' experience, our employees' livelihoods, and the broader local economy. Beyond the economic risk, opening California waters to offshore drilling runs counter to responsible environmental stewardship and undermines decades of progress protecting one of the state's most valuable natural resources.

Kurt



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Guillen, Dora

From: Thomas Osborne <thomasjoeosborne@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 5:08 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Supplemental Item S28D

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Under no circumstances should the Orange County Board of Supervisors or any other governmental regulatory agency approve more oil leases along California's coast. Our state's \$50 billion coastal economy and California's coastal ecology would be seriously injured by more oil leases.

Thomas J. Osborne, Ph.D.

Environmental historian

Author of Coastal Sage: Peter Douglas and the Fight to Save California's Shore (2018)

Guillen, Dora

From: Ginger Osborne <gtosborne@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 5:03 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Supplemental Item S28D

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

To the Orange County Board of Supervisors:

I urge you to support the resolution to oppose the 5-year plan to expand new offshore oil drilling off the coast of Orange County. We have seen the damage caused by leaks from offshore oil wells or pipes that cause damage to our coastal ecology and economy. This cannot be permitted.

*Ginger Osborne
31651 Santa Rosa Dr.
Laguna Beach, CA 92651*

Guillen, Dora

From: Leslie Manderscheid <lesliemander1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 4:48 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Support OC Resolution Opposing Offshore Oil & Gas Drilling

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

I am in support of our Orange County Board of Supervisors taking an important step to protect our coast by introducing a **resolution opposing offshore oil and gas drilling**.

I support the proposed Supplemental S28D, which will oppose the 5-year plan expanding new offshore oil drilling, and it will direct the County Executive Office, Legislative Affairs, to submit a resolution and public comment to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

Please do not allow the numerous harmful effects of offshore drilling along the California coast.

Leslie Manderscheid
6817 E Monaco Pkwy
Orange CA 92878

Guillen, Dora

From: Courtney Lorenz <courtney-lorenz@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 4:27 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Supplemental item s28d

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Hello,

I wanted to take a minute to thank you for protecting orange county. I am against offshore drilling.

Courtney Lorenz
31337 East Nine Drive
Laguna Niguel 92677

Guillen, Dora

From: Peter Stauffer <pstauff@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 4:19 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Support for Supplemental Item S28D

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Hello,

As an Orange County resident, I am writing to express my strong support for the resolution opposing new offshore oil and gas leasing off California. The Department of Interior's dangerous proposal puts our marine environment, coastal tourism industry, and way of life in serious jeopardy. I appreciate our County elected officials taking action to stop more offshore oil and gas development off our coasts.

Thank you!

Pete Stauffer
158 W Avenida Alessandro
San Clemente, CA 92672

Guillen, Dora

From: Melissa Waters <msimply3@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 4:16 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: S28D, Opposing Offshore Drilling

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Dear OC Board of Supervisors,

I'm very much in support of your upcoming resolution OPPOSING offshore oil and gas drilling (S28D). The risks are too great to our already fragile marine ecosystem and any even small accident would also harm the tourist dollars many coastal cities depend upon.

Additionally, I'm very happy about recent steps taken by the OC BOS to push for a cleaner economy using cleaner, cheaper energy sources. This, along with opposing offshore drilling, will help keep the OC healthier and thriving into the future.

Thank you in advance for voting to show your opposition to offshore drilling here and to protecting our environment and welfare in the OC!

Melissa Waters
Laguna Niguel, CA

Guillen, Dora

From: Jonathan Light <jlight88@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 4:15 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Support for the Adoption Resolution Opposing 5-year Plan Expanding New Offshore Oil Drilling

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To the OC BOS,

Thank you in advance for adopting Resolution S28D, which would oppose the new 5-year plan on expanding offshore oil drilling off of California's coast. I agree with this resolution, as I am very much against any offshore drilling. I have already sent my public comments into the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management opposing their proposal. I sight economic and environmental reasons, reminding them of cost issues at the same time. In our current environment, clean, safe, and renewable energy alternatives exist at lower costs than any new offshore exploratrion and drilling requires. As a consumer of energy, I want my producers not to risk environmental and economic damage to California when acquiring energy needs. There is not a need to drill off our beautiful coastline to try to obtain new energy sources.

Thank you again to the Board for protecting our environment and opposing offshore drilling.

Jonathan Light
Laguna Niguel

Guillen, Dora

From: Michaela Coats <michaelacoats@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 3:30 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Comment in support of resolution against offshore drilling (supplemental item S28D)

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Hello,

My name is Michaela Coats. I am also a lifelong resident of Orange County (Tustin, 92782), and I am writing in strong support of the County of Orange adopting a resolution opposing the federal 5-year plan for offshore oil and gas drilling.

I am less than 30 years old, and I have witnessed the direct consequences of offshore oil drilling firsthand... twice. As an undergraduate studying environmental science at UC Santa Barbara, I witnessed the 2015 Plains All American spill off Refugio State Beach, oil from which reached Orange County beaches. A few years later, I worked at Orange County Coastkeeper during the 2021 Amplify Energy spill off Huntington Beach. While smaller than the Refugio spill, it still closed our beaches for weeks, shut down local fisheries for months, killed wildlife, and significantly impacted businesses that rely on a healthy coastal economy. These events were devastating examples of what will happen – not if, but will – if offshore drilling is expanded.

Now, working at the Surfrider Foundation, I work alongside a network of activists to ensure that federal offshore drilling plans do not lock California into decades of repeated environmental harm. And it's important to note: it's not only spills that threaten our coast. Every stage of oil drilling—including exploration, extraction, transport, and refinement—carries serious environmental and public health risks.

The stakes for our economy are just as clear. According to the National Ocean Economics Program, California's ocean-related recreation and tourism sector contributes \$23 billion to the state's GDP, and Orange County's coastal economy depends on these healthy beaches and waters. Putting this thriving economy at risk for offshore drilling—with its inevitable environmental and public safety hazards—is unnecessary and simply not worth it.

Earlier this year, the country saw a wave of bipartisan opposition to the selling of our public lands. We are again seeing the same reaction for our public waters, where politicians, individuals, and business owners on both sides of the aisle agree that more offshore drilling is not the future we want to see for our coast and oceans.

Adopting this resolution against offshore drilling is not just the right choice for our environment—it's the choice to protect our economy, our communities, and our future. Thank your time and for your leadership in protecting Orange County's coastline.

Sincerely,

Guillen, Dora

From: enoble <enoble@thecarlab.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 3:15 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: support of Supplemental Item S28D

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dear Board of Supervisors,

our international clientele come to Orange County because of our beautiful coast and the creative industries it inspires and supports - surf, tourism, fashion, product and graphic design.

additional offshore drilling here is not worth risking the economic damage of spills, which invariably do occur, it's just a matter of time.

please note our business support of Supplemental Item S28D .

sincerely,

Eric Noble
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From: Lisa Swanson <lisainlb@ymail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 3:12 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Supplemental Item S28D

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Dear OC Supervisors, I fully support the adoption of a resolution opposing the 5-year plan expanding new offshore oil drilling. Our coast is too valuable and the additional oil produced from these wells is not needed.

Please vote yes on Supplemental Item S28D.

Regards,

Lisa Swanson

16 yr homeowner Huntington Beach

Guillen, Dora

From: Donald E Johnson (TMS) <don.johnson@toyota.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 3:09 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Off Shore Drilling and Oil Leases

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To whom this may concern,

As an owner of property in Huntington Beach adjacent to the Bolsa Chica wetlands what make my property valuable is the ocean and our beaches. It's not our governments policies nor the poor school system but the ability to walk/bike to the beach and walk on clean sand. Having lived on and off in So Cal most of my life I have had the opportunity to pick oil/tar from my feet as I walked along the beach for what. Gas in OC is still way too expensive as well as electricity. We need to decide who we want to be and own it. The OC coast has come a long way since I moved there in the early 80's. It's cool to see seals and dolphins again so with some hope we might be able to eat the fish once again. If not, please determine how you want to share the profits of the drilling to those who will lose value because of its side effects.

Thx

Don Johnson

Guillen, Dora

From: KC Fockler <kcfockler@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 3:01 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Support of Foley Supplemental 28D

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Honorable OC Supervisors,

As someone who has lived for 62 years next to the ocean, grew up surfing, was a member of the Huntington Beach Environmental Board for four years, and has been an active member and core volunteer for the Surfrider Foundation for eight years, I urge you to vote yes and support Supplemental 28D to protect our ocean and our coast, and Mike Levin's Southern California Coast and Ocean Protection Act

First, the facts speak for themselves. We are a net oil producer, and therefore we do not need to look to our oceans for more petroleum. America is already energy independent and we do not need to plague our oceans with more drilling.

Second, the process needed to find the oil is extremely harmful to our environment and to the mammals that live within the Pacific. We should be actively looking to preserve life, not take it needlessly by destroying the **echo location hearing** of some of the world's greatest living beings, the leviathans of the deep.

Third, over 8000 member organizations of BAPCC (Business Alliance for Protecting the Pacific Coast) support a no new drilling effort, as it does not make economic sense to possibly destroy the livelihoods of those who depend on the ocean for their living. All one has to do is look at the 2021 oil spill to see how the fishing industry, whale watching industry, tourist industry, and those that recreate in the ocean were affected. It affected many of those for over 3 months.

We can ill-afford this new chapter of drilling off our shores. Please support supervisor Foley's Supplemental 28D resolution, as well as representative Mike Levin's Southern California Coast and Ocean Protection Act.

Yours,

KC Fockler
714-747-3184
Coastal Lover, Surfer and Friend of the Ocean

Guillen, Dora

From: Lauren Lum <lauren.lum.3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 2:48 PM
To: COB_Response
Subject: Supplemental Item S28D

Attention: This email originated from outside the County of Orange. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Hi!

As an Orange County resident, I'm writing to share my support for Supplemental Item S28D. Offshore drilling creates real risks for our beaches, fisheries, and tourism, and a spill or ongoing pollution would have long-lasting impacts on Orange County's coast.

Our coastline is such an important part of this community and protecting it matters, not just for us now, but for future generations too. We all deserve clean beaches, healthy marine ecosystems, and a thriving local economy. I hope you'll support this item and help protect our ocean and marine life.

Thank you,
Lauren