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Surfrider Foundation is dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of the world's ocean, waves and beaches through a powerful grassroots activist network.

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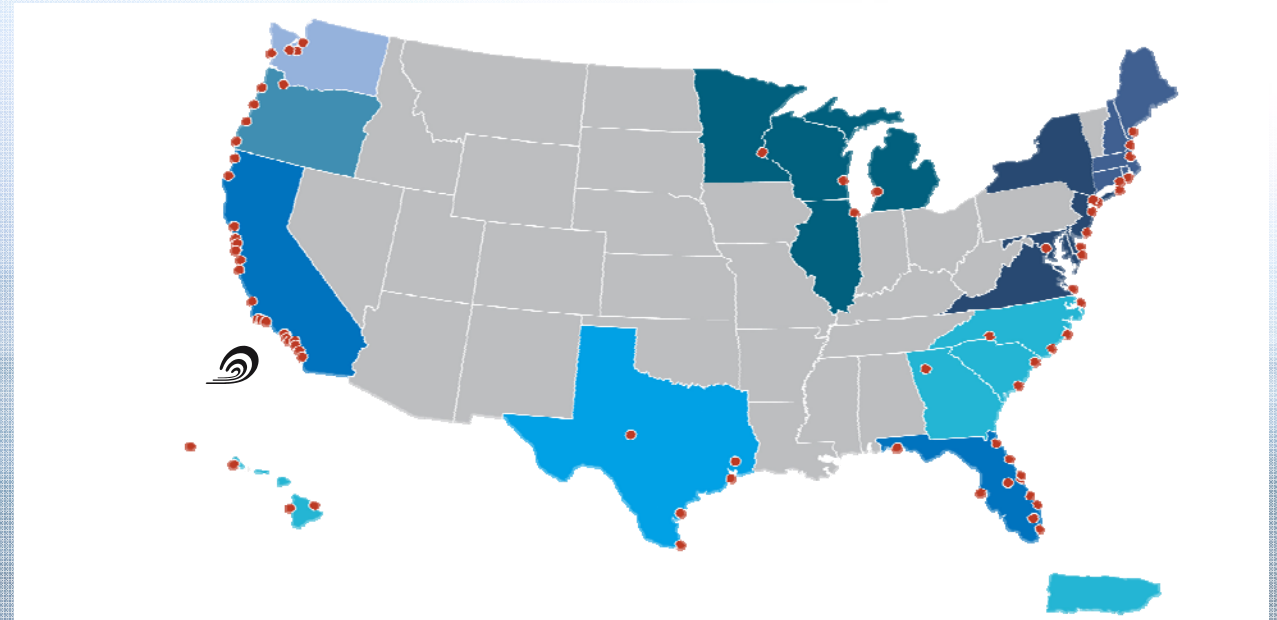

10,000+
ACTIVISTS

50,000+
MEMBERS

1,000,000+
SUPPORTERS

1984
ESTABLISHED

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Surfrider access campaigns per year:
~5

Legal action currently:
~5

POLICY ON BEACH ACCESS

Approved by the Surfrider Foundation Board of Directors on June 27, 2009

Whereas, Surfrider Foundation views beach access as a universal right. Surfrider Foundation works to secure universal, low-impact beach access for all people. Surfrider Foundation's members live, work, visit, and recreate on and near the world's beaches, and are impacted by beach access limitations.

Whereas, Surfrider Foundation recognizes that the public's right of access to waterways is often based on the Public Trust Doctrine, and is further reflected in international, regional, and state laws and Constitutions. The Public Trust Doctrine is derived from the ancient Romans and incorporated into American law as a statement that the government retains rights in certain lands and resources in trust for the public, acting in its sovereign capacity as trustee for the beneficial use and enjoyment of the public. Specifically, governments hold title to navigable waters and the public has the right to use those waters, shorelands, and submerged lands. Surfrider works to increase public awareness and educate the public about their beach access rights, including those under the Public Trust Doctrine. In addition to the public trust right of access, the public may enjoy a right of access to and along the beach through custom, use or legislative authorization.

Whereas, Surfrider Foundation also recognizes the importance of balancing ecological integrity with beach access. Surfrider Foundation recognizes the unique ecological, recreational and economic value of the world's coastal resources. We support strong beach preservation and protection efforts when securing or augmenting low-impact beach access opportunities. As a grassroots, environmental organization, Surfrider Foundation works toward both the preservation and enjoyment of our precious coastal resources.

Whereas, Surfrider Foundation acknowledges that increased carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases are inducing increased

“Beach access is a universal right and necessary for the public’s enjoyment of the beach. Surfrider Foundation promotes the rights of the public, including all recreational user groups, and members of the community to enjoy low-impact beach access, including the enjoyment of coastal aesthetics. Surfrider encourages recreational user groups to balance their interests and to work cooperatively with

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The Surfrider Foundation, Jersey Coast Chapter, and COBRA: Citizens in Opposition to Beach Restrictive Access, is leading a charge to save a beach access point Deal officials plan to vote on vacating during a 9

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Judge upholds public access to beach in Kennebunkport

The court case that began in 2009, pitting beachfront property owners against the town, is likely headed for an appeal, according to an attorney representing the property owners.

BY **DENNIS HOEY** AND **GILLIAN GRAHAM** STAFF WRITER

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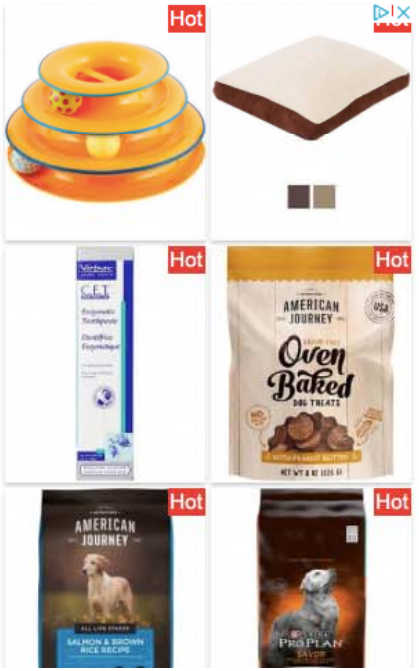
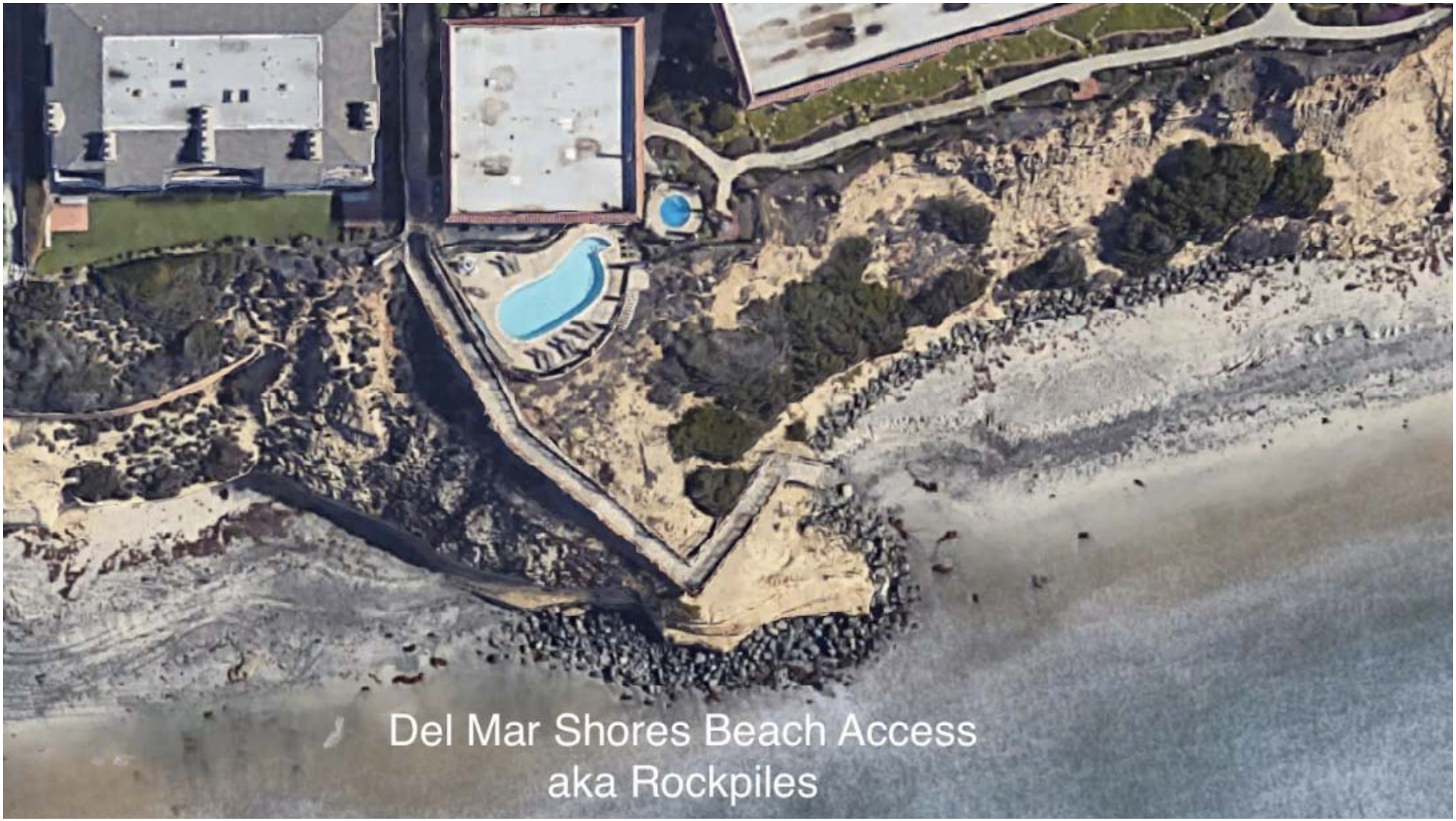
Sea level rise and coastal access

Planners reject 'Vegas-style' staircase design at Beacon's Beach

A rendering shows the design of a stairway at Beacon's Beach next to the dirt path currently used. The city of Encinitas rejected the proposed design of the stairway. (Courtesy of city of Encinitas)

By **Barbara Henry · Contact Reporter**




Del Mar Shores Beach Access
aka Rockpiles

Looking north from Rockpiles

Looking south from Rockpiles

“In this hypothetical future scenario, the possibility of a reverse takings of public property for the protection of private property should also be considered. As sea levels rise, the dry sand and rocky coastal beaches will migrate landward. Development will therefore need to be located further inland to avoid loss of access to the

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After nearly a decade, Solana Beach approves seawall fee

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Solana Beach City Council unanimously approves a new public recreation fee – which is charged to the bluff-top homeowners to compensate for the amount of beach lost through the construction of seawalls. Photo by Lexy Brodt

SOLANA BEACH — After 10 years of study and stakeholder feedback, the Solana Beach City Council unanimously approved a California Coastal Commission-sanctioned, seawall-mitigating fee at a Nov. 13 public hearing.

The resulting fee is about double what the city initially proposed.

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