



California Shore & Beach Preservation Association

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Dr. Clarissa Anderson
Executive Director
Southern California Coastal Ocean Observing System
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Dear Dr. Anderson:

On behalf of the California Shore & Beach Preservation Association (CSBPA) Board of Directors, I enthusiastically endorse the valuable data and services provided by the Southern California Coastal Ocean Observing System (SCCOOS) at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California San Diego. Our Board members are from along the entire California coast and are very much in support of the entire state-wide collaborative, i.e. including the Central & Northern California Ocean Observing System (CeNCOOS).

CSBPA is an educational and professional association with members from government, academia, industry, and individuals – all of whom are interested in the coast of California. We promote the prudent management of our coast and preserving, protecting, and enhancing our coasts by merging science and public policy. SCCOOS data are fundamental to our science-based decision making and highly utilized by CSBPA members and affiliates.

As a science-based decision support system, the Ocean Observing System works interactively with local, state and federal agencies, resource managers, industry, policy makers, educators, scientists and the general public to provide data, models and products that advance our understanding of the current and future state of our coastal and global environment. SCCOOS focuses on coastal observations and product development to inform critical issues, such as marine operations, coastal hazards, climate variability and change, ecosystems, fisheries, and water quality.

I understand that SCCOOS is funded primarily by the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Sustained funding for SCCOOS will be crucial to the maintenance of the program's ocean observing network and to the continuity of the important data products and services that these observations enable. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kim Garvey".

Kim Garvey
President, California Shore & Beach Preservation Association