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**PRESCRIPTIVE RIGHTS STUDY****SANTA CLAUS BEACH  
CARPINTERIA AREA OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

Dear Coastal Visitor or Resident:

Enclosed is a Public Use Questionnaire and a Fact Sheet briefly describing the framework and purpose of a Prescriptive Rights Study. The State of California is investigating public use of Santa Claus Beach and all vertical accessways from Santa Claus Lane across the dunes and the railroad tracks to Santa Claus Beach, including the access path next to the A-Frame Surf Shop. We have attached to the questionnaire aerial graphics showing the beach and surrounding area.

The investigation is for the purpose of determining whether any public rights exist on the site by reason of past public use. If you have any knowledge about such use of that area, we would greatly appreciate it if you would take a few moments to fill out and return the enclosed Questionnaire and Declaration. A return-addressed envelope is provided for your convenience. See <http://www.coastal.ca.gov/access/prc-access.html> for colored graphics of the site. If you are downloading this electronically, please sign and mail the original to the undersigned at the above address.

We recognize that the Questionnaire, with its accompanying maps, may appear at first glance to be somewhat complicated. However, furnishing the requested information is critical to the determination of whether there has been sufficient use of the area to establish public rights of use.

If you would like additional copies of the questionnaire or have questions or comments, please feel free to call Linda Locklin at 831-427-4875 or email [llocklin@coastal.ca.gov](mailto:llocklin@coastal.ca.gov). Thank you for taking the time to participate in this study.

Very truly yours,

Linda Locklin  
Manager  
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Enclosures

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PRESCRIPTIVE RIGHTS STUDY  
PUBLIC USE QUESTIONNAIRE AND DECLARATION

SANTA CLAUS BEACH AND ITS VERTICAL ACCESSWAYS  
FROM SANTA CLAUS LANE  
CARPINTERIA AREA OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

The State of California is investigating uses made of Santa Claus Beach and all vertical accessways from Santa Claus Lane across the dunes and the railroad tracks to Santa Claus Beach, including the access path next to the A-Frame Surf Shop. The investigation is for the purpose of determining whether any public rights exist therein by reason of public use. Your answers to this Questionnaire and Declaration will be appreciated. For an electronic version of this questionnaire, go to <http://www.coastal.ca.gov/access/prc-access.html>.

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address if different: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Office): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Have you personally and openly used any of the area shown on the attached photograph, map or diagram? \_\_\_\_ If so, since what date? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Please mark the areas of your use on the enclosed photograph, map or diagram and date and sign the same. In marking the photograph, map or diagram, please try to pinpoint the locations and indicate the types of use and approximate dates.
3. Please describe the uses you have made of this area (for example: boating, fishing, swimming, hiking, picnicking, parking, skin diving, access to water or beach, etc.)

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4. Approximately how many times have you used this area?

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5. Did you ever ask for and receive permission to use the area.?\_\_\_\_\_

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6. Did anyone ever interfere in any way with your use?\_\_\_\_\_

7. Have you observed others using this area?\_\_\_\_\_

If so, for what purposes?\_\_\_\_\_

How often have you seen other members of the public using this area?

Whenever I was there:\_\_\_\_\_ Frequently:\_\_\_\_\_

Occasionally:\_\_\_\_\_ Rarely:\_\_\_\_\_ Never:\_\_\_\_\_

On these occasions, usually there were approximately \_\_\_\_\_  
people present on any one occasion (Indicate number or range.)

8. Do you know the names of the other people who have used this area? If so,  
please list them with their addresses and telephone numbers, if known.

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9. Do you possess or know of the existence and/or whereabouts of items such as  
photographs, logs, diaries, notebooks, letters, etc. relating to your use of the  
area or the uses of other people? Is so, please describe the items and list the  
name of parties or locations where such items can be found:

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10. Did you make use of this area as you would public property? If so, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

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11. Have you ever observed any no trespassing signs or equivalent signs, or signs giving permission to utilize the property? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, when and where

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12. Have you ever lived or worked in this vicinity? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, when and where?

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I declare under penalty of perjury that any answers to the foregoing Questionnaire and Declaration are true and correct to the best of my recollection.

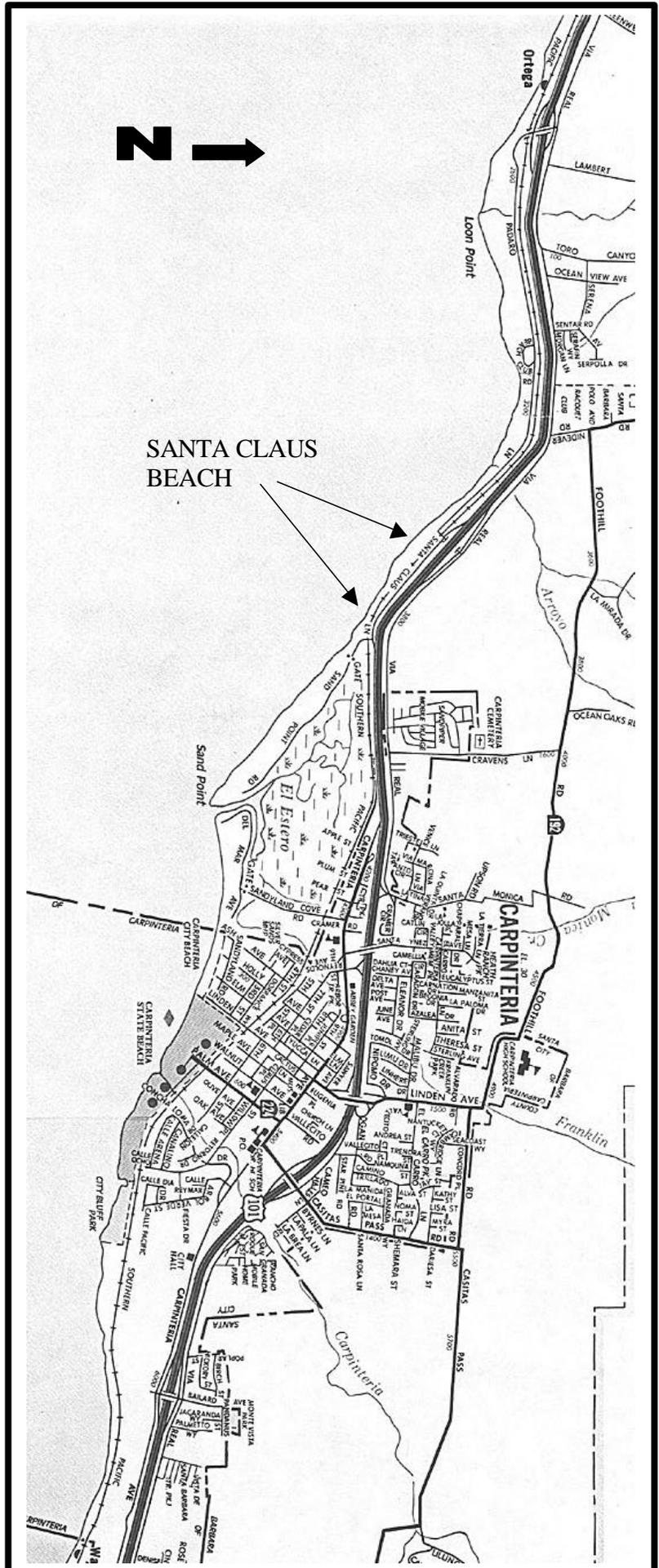
Dated at: \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
City and State Date

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

***The information contained in this questionnaire is subject to public disclosure and will not be kept confidential unless requested by the signatory in writing.***

SANTA CLAUS BEACH  
CARPENTERIA AREA  
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
LOCATION MAP  
EXHIBIT 1

SEE EXHIBIT 2 FOR AN  
AERIAL PHOTOMAP OF SITE.  
MARK YOUR AREAS OF USE  
ON EXHIBIT 2.



SANTA CLAUS BEACH AND LANE  
CARPENTERIA AREA  
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
AERIAL PHOTOMAP OF SITE  
EXHIBIT 2

*Please mark your areas of use on this photomap.*

Have you personally and openly used any portion of Santa Claus Beach? Please mark your areas of use on this Exhibit. Show where you have accessed the beach. The vertical access between the Padaro Beach Grill and the A-Frame Surf Shop to the beach is indicated on the graphic. Several other paths over the railroad tracks to the beach are identifiable in the aerial photomap. Please mark any and all of your access routes, the beach areas you visited and where you parked. Try to pinpoint the locations and indicate the types and dates of use (surfing, picnicking, sunning, fishing, boating, whale watching, etc.).

Please sign and date this declaration below:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

