

# THE OLD ROAD NEWSLETTER

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## ANGRY ABOUT THE COASTAL COMMISSION? *MALIBU CITIZENS FOR LOCAL COASTAL PLANNING* MAY BE FOR YOU

Are you unhappy with the California Coastal Commission dictating what kind of community Malibu should be?

Are you angry about intrusive, unsafe, unsanitary, unsupervised and unnecessary beach accesses along Malibu Road – with more to come?

Are you infuriated by draconian – and arbitrary – new building codes and restrictions being forced on Malibu by a bunch of political appointees-with-personal-agendas who are not our elected representatives?

Then we suggest that you learn more about the **Malibu Citizens for Local Coastal Planning**, a growing group of concerned, committed citizens from all over Malibu, who are united in fighting these outrages, and dedicated to achieving a Local Coastal Plan that *includes* our input, as well as the principles of good planning – rather than having outsiders impose their (often misguided) will upon us.

Check them out via their website ([www.californiacoastplanning.org](http://www.californiacoastplanning.org)). If you agree with their aims, you may want to sign up and get involved. And if you just want to send money, which they need badly, you may make contributions – anonymous if you wish. Send them to **Californians for Local Coastal Planning** (CLCP) at 23852 PCH #152, Malibu, CA 90265. You can also inquire by phone at 310.317.8487.

According to Dr. Jeff Harris, the organization needs upwards of \$300,000 to

fight the legal-and-PR battle this will require.

## *IT'S FIRE SEASON AGAIN, WITH RODENTS TO BOOT (NO PUN INTENDED)*

Because of the paucity of rain earlier this year, we're faced with increased fire danger *and* because creek runoff water is consequently in short supply we are facing a plague of large hungry/thirsty rodents.

First, of course is the necessity for adequate brush clearance.

Regarding the rodents, beachfront residents are reporting serious home-invasion problems from these creatures. MRPOA Board Member Gary Patterson recommends that trash containers have very secure lids. Bags, it seems obvious, aren't enough to dissuade these guys.

And while you're securing your trash from determined rodents, it's also a good idea to make sure that wind-driven paper scraps and other flammable materials aren't adding to the fire risk.

## MRPOA BOARD ACTIONS

At the Board's July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, concerns were voiced about the increased number of parked construction dumpsters and vehicles which have been, in effect, narrowing the usable roadway for passing cars, often without flagmen helping to direct traffic. It was resolved that Gary Patterson would write a letter to the Sheriff's Department, drawing their attention to this potentially dangerous problem.

The Road Association paid the Labor Exchange for removal of a dead sea lion.

The Board authorized Attorney Greg Aftergood to locate and provide the city with old geological surveys, drainage and water-runoff studies concerning the bluff properties above Malibu Road, particularly

as they pertain to the dispute over a residential building permit for the proposed development of 24920(50) PCH.

## ANOTHER BRIEF PITCH ON BEHALF OF THE MRPOA

Thanks to all who have paid their 2002 dues. For those who haven't, we'd like to again remind you that your MRPOA dues fund lots of good works for Road Residents:

- A forum for Road-related issues AND taking action when needed
- Liaison w/City, Sheriff's Dept. and other agencies on problems such as overnight transient parking, speed enforcement, etc.
- Weekly road cleanup
- This informative Newsletter
- Legal advice and representation when warranted
- Updates and notices about urgent Malibu topics
- Speed control signs
- Dog-cleanup signs

And more. Remember, the MRPOA *exists* to be *your* advocate. So, please, get out that checkbook and join us today! The MRPOA is here for renters and owners alike.

## SOME USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS & MAILING ADDRESSES

EMERGENCY, of course	911
Sheriff	456.6652
Fire	317.1122
City of Malibu	456.2489
Lifeguard	457.2525
Animal Control & Care (818)	991.0071
Sanitation Dept.	(800) 773.2784

Call this # for pick-up of oversize items and other special requests.

Wildlife Rescue	457.WILD
Dead seal on beach burial	317.4717

We have a contract with the  
Labor Exchange for this.  
MRPOA 317.1040

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## HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

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