

## Carey Casciola

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**From:** Amanda Sherlock [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 9, 2020 11:45 AM  
**To:** carey@oceanocsd.org  
**Subject:** Public comment: Please outlaw fireworks / firework sales in Oceano

I live in Oceano and have to suffer loud pops and bangs from mid-June through the end of July every night, every year.

The sheriffs seem to be unable to put a dent in the activity. It is unsettling for humans and pets alike.

Thank you,

Amanda

Oceano homeowner/taxpayer/voter since 2003

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**From:** Jill's Gmail [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 9, 2020 3:50 PM  
**To:** carey@oceanocsd.org  
**Subject:** Public Comment

Dear Oceano Community Services District,

I am addressing the board on agenda item #5; items not on the agenda. I am tired of the legal and illegal fireworks in our community throughout the year. Please research and find options that will support our law enforcement, so that we may have fireworks only on or during the holiday week of July 4th. I would like it if Oceano had the same firework laws as Grover Beach and Arroyo Grande, as this would make it easier for our law enforcement.

Sincerely,  
Jill Abercrombie  
Oceano Resident=



TO: Dr. Borenstein, SLO County Public Health  
Lynn Compton, SLO Board of Supervisors  
Bruce Gibson, SLO Board of Supervisors  
Debbie Arnold, SLO Board of Supervisors  
John Peschong, SLO Board of Supervisors

FROM : Allene Villa/Chair  
Oceano Advisory Council

RE: ODSVRA and COVID 19 pandemic threat to the Oceano community

10/22/2020

The Oceano Advisory Council (OAC) asks you to refrain from reopening the ODSVRA to vehicle tourism until SLO county health office establishes criteria for its reopening and determines that the ODSVRA has met them under the prevailing conditions of the pandemic. Visitors from surrounding counties swarm to our beaches. The ODSVRA poses a particular threat for the residents of Oceano and the Five Cities' area. Our concerns are the following:

(a) the large masses of people drawn each year to the ODSVRA and current operating ODSVRA's model which does not support accountability of limited capacity operation. The kiosk is not staffed 24 hours and the gates are left wide open during non-staff hours,

(b) the density of the crowds and camping conditions packed into the narrow confines of the ODSVRA beachfront,

(c) valley counties have been more affected by COVID-19 and wide spread contagion,

(d) the health and social welfare of Oceano residents, many of whom are forced to recreate on beaches distant from their homes while ODSVRA patrons obstruct recreation on their own beachfront,

(e) potential impact of compounding the load on the county's health system. The number of fatalities and serious injuries caused by vehicular accidents in the ODSVRA has risen dramatically in recent years. More of the same could stress the system when combined with COVID hospitalizations,

(f) there has been an enormous increase in the pedestrian use of the ODSVRA beachfront and Oceano Beach since the park was closed to off-roading and camping, thereby offering relief to Pismo Beach's overcrowded conditions north of the ODSVRA. This relief has facilitated social distancing and thereby further reduced the public-health risk. We wish to see this situation continue while the pandemic remains a serious threat in our South County,

(g) Oceano is a disadvantaged community whose residents are mostly Latino. Public health experts say Latinos may be more vulnerable to the virus as a result of the same factors that have put minorities at risk across the country,

(h) Oceano has only one small community park. Residents of Oceano and surrounding areas have been flocking to our beach where they can safely social distance and get needed exercise. Opening the beach to vehicle tourism would deprive our community of its largest outdoor recreation space.

Therefore, The Oceano Advisory Council asks you to refrain from reopening the ODSVRA until SLO county health office establishes criteria for its reopening and determines that the ODSVRA has met the criteria under the prevailing conditions of the pandemic.

Respectfully,



Allene Villa/ Chair  
Oceano Advisory Council

CC: Governor Newsom, CA Office of Governor  
Armando Quintero, CA Dept. of Parks and Rec  
Wade Crowfoot, CA Natural Resources Agency  
Jack Ainsworth, CA Coastal Commission  
Stephen Padilla, Ca Coastal Commission  
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Erick Howell, CA Coastal Commission  
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**From:** directorvilla@oceanocsd.org  
**Sent:** Monday, November 9, 2020 4:02 PM  
**To:** Carey Casciola  
**Subject:** Fwd: Re: [EXT]ODSVRA Covid-19 threat to Oceano

Hi Carey,

Please also attach this one.

Thanks,

Allene Villa /Chair

Oceano Advisory Council

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From: "Penny E. Borenstein" <[pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:pborenstein@co.slo.ca.us)>

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Sent: October 25, 2020 4:46 PM

Subject: Re: [EXT]ODSVRA Covid-19 threat to Oceano

Dear Ms. Villa,

Thank you for your letter. These are very difficult times. Please be assured that Public Health has been working with State Parks to assure that any resumption of activity at the Oceano Dunes is consistent with COVID-19 prevention efforts throughout the county. There are obviously larger issues that have been raised over many years regarding general health and safety concerns. Though I understand the frustrations related to the pace of mitigation, those issues are being addressed through the Air Pollution Control District, the Coastal Commission, State Parks and others.

Sincerely,

**Penny Borenstein, MD, MPH**

Health Officer/Public Health Director

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**Subject:** [EXT]ODSVRA Covid-19 threat to Oceano

**ATTENTION:** This email originated from outside the County's network. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Attached you will find a letter from the Oceano Advisory Council (OAC) regarding our concerns on the opening of the ODSVRA and the negative impacts during this pandemic. We look forward to your response. Please let us know you received.

Thanks,

Allene Villa/Chair  
Oceano Advisory Council  
[REDACTED]

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