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PRESS RELEASE

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Pacifica Pier / Seawall Repair

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Pacifica, CA) – Recently, the Northern California Coast experienced King Tides and large swells that affected the Pacifica coastline and revealed a void that has been forming underneath the sidewalk near the Pacifica Pier caused by the inflow of seawater. The City has begun emergency repair work with a local contractor and marine engineering firm. The void, which has been created by an opening at the bottom of the seawall where the seawall meets the pier abutment, has been temporarily stabilized. After consultation with the City's coastal engineering consultant, the City has interviewed three coastal contractors for an emergency design-build contract to complete the work to protect the City's street and utility infrastructure, and will be moving forward with a local contractor, MRC, who specializes in emergency coastal repair work.

The Contractor will place large rocks at the ocean side of the breach to prevent wave energy from entering the void, thereby making it safe for work on the repair and preventing the void from growing larger. MRC will start setting up for the work today and it is anticipated that the rock placement will take approximately two days to complete with substantial completion by December 24, 2020. Once the breach area is safe to enter, the City will work with its team to determine an effective repair for the breach.

The area is currently stable and the City continues to monitor the void area. During construction, residents in the area should be advised that Beach Boulevard will be closed to traffic and be limited to residents only. The work may go into the evening. Pedestrian traffic will also be limited to residents only and may be subject to rerouting to Palmetto to cross the construction area. Residents should expect noise, equipment, and trucks in the area. If you are visiting the Pacifica Pier, visitors are advised to walk from the south (Montecito Avenue). The Pacifica Pier may need to be closed intermittently during the construction work for safety reasons.

Should you have any questions or concerns, you can contact the Department of Public Works – Field Services Division at (650) 738-3760 or email dpwassistance@ci.pacificaca.us. Thank you for your cooperation.