

National Park Service News Release

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National Park Service seeks public input on potential national park designation for Los Angeles coast

SAN FRANCISCO—The National Park Service (NPS) launched a public comment period for a congressionally authorized study evaluating whether portions of the Los Angeles coastline could be designated as a unit of the National Park System.

The Los Angeles Coastal Special Resource Study will evaluate the area’s national significance, suitability, feasibility, and the need for direct National Park Service management. Findings and any recommendations from the Secretary of the Interior will be submitted to Congress.

“Public participation is important to this study,” said Denise Louie, Natural Resources, Planning, and Compliance Program lead for the National Park Service’s Pacific West Region. “The LA coastline is exceptionally diverse, and feedback will help inform whether these places meet the criteria for inclusion in the National Park System and how they could be preserved for future generations.”

Authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (Public Law 117-328), the study considers historical, cultural, and environmental resources and incorporates public input as part of the evaluation.

The study area includes the coastline and adjacent areas to the Santa Monica Bay from Will Rogers State Beach to Torrance Beach, including the areas in and around Ballona Creek and the Baldwin Hills and the San Pedro section of the city of Los Angeles, excluding the Port of Los Angeles north of Crescent Avenue.

The NPS will host two identical virtual public meetings to share information about the study process and answer questions:

- February 11, 1p.m. – 2:30 p.m. PT.
 - Meeting link: <https://bit.ly/4t8oWXW> or join by phone: 1-202-640-1187, Conference ID: 990571600#
- March 11, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. PT.

- Meeting link: <https://bit.ly/4akUPVE> or join by phone: 1-202-640-1187, Conference ID: 362420885#

Comments and questions about the special resource study may also be submitted online via the project website or by postal mail to:

National Park Service
Denver Service Center
Attn: Los Angeles Coastal SRS
One Denver Federal Center, Building 50
Denver, CO 80225

Public comments will remain open through April 6, 2026.

More information about the study is available at
<https://parkplanning.nps.gov/LosAngelesCoastal>.

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