

LCP Commissioner Comments

March 25, 2025

Tangney

1.2.2 Clearly the date is wrong

9.2.14. New Overnight Accommodations; Suggest reference to campground accommodations as well as "room types etc"

4.1.8 reference is made to campgrounds etc here.

Note , Humboldt Bay region has a very short supply of camping accommodations and a high demand. For low impact, visitor serving, coastal access, camping should be a goal of our local coastal element.

April 8, 2025

Lehman

3.2.3 Oil and Gas Development (pg 25): I suggest that we don't want any oil or gas exploration and/or development in Arcata coastal zones. Since the Coastal Act Sections 30262 and 30263 permit oil and gas development, change 3.2.2 to read as follows (striking the last phrase):

“On and off shore petroleum product exploration, recovery, and processing is prohibited within the Coastal Zone.”

[Staff: resolved]

3.2.4 Hazardous Industrial Development (pg 25): We also don't want hazardous industrial development in the Coastal Zone. Change 3.2.4 to read:

“Hazardous industrial development is prohibited in the Coastal Zone.”

This will not limit aquaculture and mariculture, as they are encouraged uses in other sections of this Element. Note also that the areas affected by both 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 are a very small portion of the City's land.

4.1.6 North of Samoa Recreational Area (pg 28): Does this section compete with (and perhaps supersede) the goal of having dense housing in the Gateway Barrel and Corridor districts?

[Staff: This policy comports with the Gateway Barrel District policies to require publicly accessible private open space.]

4.1.9 **Visitor Parking** (pg 29): I suggest we allow the minimum parking necessary (as did Colin Fiske). Add wording to the first sentence of 4.1.9 as follows:

“Free and low-cost visitor parking shall be provided within the Coastal Zone to accommodate visitors at coastal access points; **parking should be kept to the minimum necessary.**

Also, as Colin points out, the Coastal Element should point out that AB 2097 stipulates that parking mandates cannot be enforced within a half mile of a “major transit stop” and much of the coastal zone is within that distance of the Arcata Transit Center.

[Staff: resolved]