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**Planning for the Future of Pillar Point Harbor and Oyster Point Marina Facilities
VIRTUAL COMMUNITY FORUM
MAY 14 – 6:30 to 8:30 PM**

Pillar Point Harbor and Oyster Point Marina are unique facilities that provide substantial benefits to the residents and visitors of San Mateo County, including waterfront access and significant recreational, environmental, transportation, fishery and business opportunities. Both facilities have planned Capital Improvement Projects that address necessary upgrades and replacements of aging facilities, and potential new structures: Docks, West Trail and Coastal Trail improvements, public bathrooms, ADA compliance projects, parking lots, boat launch ramps, and more.

“San Mateo County Harbor District is inviting all residents of San Mateo County to attend a Virtual Community Forum to learn more about the facility needs and to provide input on how best to invest in the Harbor and Marina for the coming five years,” said James Pruett, General Manager.

During the Virtual Community Forum, District representatives will answer questions and consider citizen and stakeholder input and discussion of current and planned Capital Improvement Projects.

It is anticipated that the COVID-19 pandemic will reduce projected revenues over the next five years based on financial information from the last recession. The total identified need for funding is over \$48 million and the funds certain to be available are about \$14.5 million. While additional grants and other funding may be obtained, the District must set new priorities given the significant need and reduced funding.

Details about the May 14 Virtual Community Forum: The link to participate will be available on the District’s website (www.smharbor.com) by 6:30 PM on May 12, 2020.

Brief Online Survey Also Available: For those that cannot participate in the forum, the link to participate in an online survey will be available on the District’s website (www.smharbor.com) by 6:30 PM on May 13, 2020.

“The priorities we are developing will guide our actions for many years,” said Board President Nancy Reyering. “We welcome and look forward to the public’s input as we set long-term direction for the Harbor District and finalize priorities for the funding available. Please join the discussion.”

For more information, visit the District’s website at www.smharbor.com, email info@smharbor.com, or call (650) 583-4400.

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