

## Field Report Memorandum

**To:** Sally Gee, LCWA

**From:** Jesse Aragon, Tidal Influence, LLC

**Cc:** Eric Zahn, Marcelo Ceballos, Tidal Influence, Salian Garcia, Mark Stanley

**Date:** August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**Subject:** Land Management Field Report

Sites Inspected: Zedler Marsh, Bryant Lease West, Hellman/Gum Grove, State Lands Parcel, & OTD Parcel

Inspection Date: July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022

*Note: The locations of critical observations and issues noted in this document are called out on the map on the final page. Photos of certain issues/observations are attached at the end of the report.*

### OTD Parcel

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1. Gates – OK
2. Trails – OK
3. Fences – OK
4. Homeless –
  - a. Bedding materials found near the property fence line indicating possible use as an encampment. No other materials or inhabitants were found. (See Photo)  
**Tidal Influence staff will continue to monitor the site for potential homeless encampments and coordinate with LCWA's homeless contractor as needed.**
5. Other –
  - a. A large construction vehicle was seen parked behind construction materials. Upon inspection the vehicle had expired registration tags indicating the vehicle is not being operated and that the lessee is storing the vehicle on site. The LCWA has instructed the lessee to remove the vehicle from the site as this is in violation of their lease agreement. The lessee has stated they are in the process of selling and removing the vehicle from the site.  
**Tidal Influence staff will continue to monitor and report the presence of the vehicle on site until it is removed.**

### Zedler Marsh

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6. Gates – OK
7. Trails – OK
8. Fences – OK
9. Homeless – OK

### State Lands Parcel

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10. Gates – OK
11. Trails – OK
12. Fences - OK
13. Homeless - OK

## Hellman

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14. Gates – OK

15. Trails – OK

16. Fences –

- a. On July 27<sup>th</sup>, a resident of Surf Place community notified Tidal Influence staff of a fence breach along the Southern edge of the property. Tidal Influence staff has inspected the fence and has offered to patch the breach to maintain security of the site and the residents property. However, due to the fence line residing along the property line the resident instead is opting to install an upgraded fence. Tidal Influence staff will remain in communication with the resident throughout the fence replacement process.

17. Homeless – OK

18. Other – OK

## Bryant Lease West

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19. Gates –

- a. Levee gates found open. (See Photo)

**We recommend LCWA staff meet with LA County to determine a new approach to secure this property. We recommend adjusting the fence line location to provide a thoroughfare along the levee path.**

20. Trails – OK

21. Fence –

- a. Two fence line breaches were observed in two locations along the eastern fence line. (See Photos)

**Tidal Influence staff will continue to monitor the condition of the fence line and conduct repairs in the coming months.**

22. Homeless –

- a. A homeless encampment has established along the eastern property fence line. Tidal Influence staff contacted the LCWA Homeless contractor who worked with local authorities to remediate and clean up the encampment. (See Photos)

**Tidal Influence staff will work to make site improvements to aid in preventing the establishment of encampments such as conducting necessary fence repairs and trimming the surrounding shrubs.**

23. Other –

- a. A build up of trash has occurred near levee gates. The LCWA homeless contractor cleaned up on site trash as part of their campsite remediation efforts. (See Photo)

# Map

The photos of the issues and observations detailed above are labeled by number. The number on the map below indicates the location of these issues and observations.



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**To:** Sally Gee, LCWA

**From:** Jesse Aragon, Tidal Influence, LLC

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**Date:** September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Subject:** Land Management Field Report

Sites Inspected: Zedler Marsh, Bryant Lease West, Hellman/Gum Grove, State Lands Parcel, & OTD Parcel

Inspection Date: August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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### OTD Parcel

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1. Gates – OK
2. Trails – OK
3. Fences –
  - a. A fence line breach was observed in southeast corner of the property. (See Photo)  
**Tidal Influence staff will repair the fence line in the coming months.**
4. Homeless –
  - a. An encampment has established near southeast corner of the property. (See Photo)  
**Tidal Influence staff have contacted LCWA homeless relocation contractor to remediate the campsite.**
5. Other –
  - a. After discussing with one of the lessees on site, the LCWA will be terminating their lease and have instructed the lessee to vacate the property by the end of September. (See Photo)  
**Tidal Influence staff will continue to monitor and report the presence of the lessee's equipment on site until it is removed.**

### Zedler Marsh

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6. Gates – OK
7. Trails – OK
8. Fences – OK
9. Homeless – OK

### State Lands Parcel

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10. Gates – OK
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13. Homeless - OK

## Hellman

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14. Gates – OK

15. Trails – OK

16. Fences –

- a. On August 11<sup>th</sup> the Hellman's notified Tidal Influence Staff that the 1<sup>st</sup> street fence line had been damaged. Upon inspection the fence post was knocked over with the chain link unattached. Tidal Influence staff has reinstalled the fence post and chain link fencing to maintain site security. (See Photo)

**We recommend the fence line be replaced as further damage may impair the integrity of the fence line.**

17. Homeless –

- a. On August 25<sup>th</sup> Tidal Influence staff discovered an encampment near the habitat restoration facilities. Tidal Influence staff worked with the LCWA homeless relocation contractor and local authorities to remediate the camp site. Tidal Influence staff located and remediated the point of entry located near the stewardship parking area. (See Photos)

18. Other – OK

- a. On two occasions, Tidal Influence staff found their on site security cameras to have gone missing. The cameras have since been replaced around the property in order to continue monitoring the site. This along with other instances of stolen/moved materials are just a few examples of the increase in on site activity seen in recent months. Tidal Influence staff is committed to maintaining site security and will continue to make improvements wherever necessary to protect the natural resources found on site.

## Bryant Lease West

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- a. Levee gates found open. (See Photo)

**We recommend LCWA staff meet with LA County to determine a new approach to secure this property. We recommend adjusting the fence line location to provide a thoroughfare along the levee path.**

20. Trails – OK

21. Fence –

- a. Two fence line breaches were observed in two locations along the eastern fence line. (See Photos)

**Tidal Influence has conducted repairs and will continue to monitor conditions of the fence line.**

22. Homeless –

- a. Materials located underneath pipe cattle grate indicating potential use as an encampment. (See Photo)

**Tidal Influence staff has contacted LCWA homeless relocation contractor to remediate the camp site.**

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## Field Report Memorandum

**To:** Sally Gee, LCWA

**From:** Jesse Aragon, Tidal Influence, LLC

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**Date:** October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Subject:** Land Management Field Report

Sites Inspected: Zedler Marsh, Bryant Lease West, Hellman/Gum Grove, State Lands Parcel, & OTD Parcel

Inspection Date: September 27<sup>th</sup> 2022

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### OTD Parcel

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1. Gates – OK
2. Trails – OK
3. Fences –
  - a. A fence line breach was observed in southeast corner of the property. (See Photo)  
**Tidal Influence staff will repair the fence line in the coming months.**
  - b. A fence line breach was observed in the northwest side of the property near the main gate. (See Photo)  
**Tidal Influence staff will repair the fence line in the coming months.**
4. Homeless –
  - a. An encampment has established near southeast corner of the property. Tidal Influence staff contacted the LCWA's homeless relocation contractor who worked with local authorities to remediate the campsite on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. (See Photo)
5. Other –
  - a. After discussing with one of the lessees on site, the LCWA will be terminating their lease and have instructed the lessee to vacate the property by the end of September. Tidal Influence conducted a walkthrough of the site on the lessee's final day on site. The lessee has removed all remaining equipment off the site and has vacated the property as of October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. (See Photo)
  - b. Large, uprooted tree was spotted along southern side of OTD fence line (See Photo).  
**Tidal Influence staff is coordinating with the Los Cerritos Wetlands Stewards for a site clean up in the upcoming months.**
  - c. A water leak has caused vegetation to grow onto the bike path along 2<sup>nd</sup> street.  
**Tidal Influence staff will conduct vegetation maintenance until the leak is repaired. Tidal Influence staff will be in coordination with neighboring property owners to investigate a solution to the leak.**

### Zedler Marsh

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7. Trails – OK
8. Fences – OK
9. Homeless – OK

## State Lands Parcel

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- 10. Gates – OK
- 11. Trails – OK
- 12. Fences –
  - a. A fence breach was discovered on the northwest corner along PCH.  
**Tidal Influence staff will work to repair the fence line in the coming months.**
- 13. Homeless – OK

## Hellman

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- 14. Gates – OK
- 15. Trails – OK
- 16. Fences – OK
- 17. Homeless – OK
- 18. Other –
  - a. A tribal cultural survey was conducted from September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to search for prehistoric cultural deposits in three different locations of the Southern area of the Los Cerritos Wetlands. This was done as a follow up of a July 2021 survey that resulted in possible prehistorical evidence. An official report of the investigation is pending. (See Photo)
  - b. An electronic gate was installed on the fence line bordering the Southern Los Cerritos Wetlands and Hellman oil property. Vegetation maintenance was conducted on the existing pedestrian gate to allow for pedestrian access. A qualified biologist conducted a biological survey prior vegetation maintenance. No sensitive biological resources were impacted. (See Photo)
  - c. Cal State University Long Beach’s Mammal Lab will be creating a species inventory of small mammals at the Los Cerritos Wetlands via the installation and maintenance of wildlife cameras throughout the property in order to document the effects of urbanization of mammal communities. Tidal Influence staff have reviewed and approved their research application. Tidal Influence staff have met with the researchers to orient them on site access and safety as well as to ensure biological resources would not be impacted as part of their study.

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# OTD



Unregistered construction vehicle stored on site

Potential encampment near fenceline

# OTD



Lessee materials remain on site



Encampment near southeast corner of property



Fenceline breach in southeast corner of property

# OTD



Vegetation encroaching bike path



Lessee has vacated property



Fence line breach in southeast corner



Fence line breach in northwest corner

# OTD



Tree uprooted on southern property border



Encampment in southeast corner remediated

# Hellman



Breach in southern fence line

# Hellman



Breach in stewardship parking area fence line



Encampment remediated

# Hellman



Vegetation maintenance conducted in front of access gate

Tribal cultural investigation conducted



# Bryant West



Levee gates left open



Trash dumped near levee gates



Encampment established along eastern fence line



Breach along eastern fenceline

# Bryant West



Levee gates left open



Eastern fence line breaches repaired



Encampment remediated along eastern fence line

# Bryant West



Levee gates found open



Materials under bridge

# State Lands



Fence line damage near PCH