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Supervisors Alter Live Oak Parking Program

A scaled-down permit parking program for the Live Oak beach area was approved by county supervisors Tuesday, allowing the county to complete a three-year contract it has with the federal government.

The program attempts to control tourist parking congestion in beach neighborhoods that occurs every year.

This year's program will extend from May 29 to Sept. 26 and has eliminated the park and bus portion, reduced the fees and cut the permit mandate from seven days to two days over the weekends.

It also allows a seasonal permit which will cost \$10 if purchased by June 1 and \$20 thereafter. Daily permits will cost \$3, in line with state beach fees.

Residents of the area — 25 streets near the ocean from Fifth Avenue to 26th Avenue — also must have permits if they are going to park along the street.

According to staff recommendations, residential and business permits of those within the permit zone will cost \$5 each if purchased by June 1 and \$7.50 after.

Residential permits are limited to cover the

number of vehicles registered at the house, plus two guest permits.

Supervisor Dan Forbus noted that in the first two years of the program, there were many problems and complaints about the permit system and the parking fines.

Federal support this year, even at the scaled down program, is \$100,000.

The three-year program's costs were not given, but it was pointed out that while the park and bus program had cut down beach neighborhood parking by as much as 50 percent, it also cost \$2.59 a rider.