

# Report On Storm, Offshore Oil Drilling Face Supervisors

A report on the damage done by the Jan. 3-5 storm and a call to arms in opposition to offshore oil drilling are two of the agenda items facing county supervisors Tuesday.

The board meets in room 525 of the County Center at 9 a.m.

The damage report will be made by county public works officials at the meeting.

Concerning the offshore drilling proposal that has been made by the federal Department of the Interior, Supervisor Gary Patton says the county should be opposed for a number of reasons.

The offshore plan by the federal department again has placed some northern California ocean basins back into potential lease sale categories.

Early opposition from the public and legislators, along with a lawsuit that blocked some sales, had Interior

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Secretary James G. Watt withdraw the offer of sale. He has now put the basins back into a potential sale category.

Patton said, "Our board has played a leadership role in combatting ill-advised attempts to turn areas offshore Santa Cruz County into oceanic oilfields.

"The latest action by the Department of the Interior indicates we need to redouble our efforts."

Patton claims the most recent effort by Watt "is artfully orchestrated to defer major decisions on the future of California's coast until after the November elections (which) is consistent with a memo from a top Republican party political strategist."

The afternoon planning agenda includes public hearings on three housing projects in Live Oak.

C.E. Stumpf and Son is requesting a permit to rezone property at Brommer Street and 17th Avenue for 16 condominium units. Rosebrook Construction wants a permit to build 14 affordable condominium units at 17th Avenue and Rodriguez. Rosebrook also is asking a permit to build 35 condominiums at Capitola Road and Soquel Avenue.