Sand Dollar Beach Plan Approved, 3-2

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Sand Dollar Beach residents—that uncrowded community along the beach in the south county—will see a more accelerated pace of life in coming years as their neighborhood accommodates a 97-unit project and a new 28-acre state park.

County supervisors Tuesday on a 3-2 vote approved extension of the tentative map for the Canon del Sol project, an

action that is tantamount to final approval.

The project has been under way for some seven years and was trimmed from an initial proposal for more than 300 units on 40 acres to 97 units on 12 acres, with 28 acres of the original property to be deeded to the state for a park.

Plans for the park are being worked out, but it is known that it will involve use by recreational vehicle owners, a concern to Sand Dollar Beach residents who fear traffic and parking in their

neighborhood, the board was told.

According to plans, the state park traffic is not expected to

go through the neighborhood.

Supervisors Dan Forbus, Pat Liberty and Marilyn Liddicoat approved the project, saying it had been in process for many

years and complied with the 1961 general plan.

Along with Supervisor Chris Matthews, Supervisor Gary Patton opposed the project, saying it "contravenes nearly every policy of the board, the agricultural ordinance, the La Selva General Plan, the earlier (1961) general plan and it is not an extension (of the first project), it is a new project."

Matthews wanted the county's newly adopted low-cost housing ordinance applied which demands that 15 percent of

major housing complexes be in low cost housing.

He failed to get three votes, with the majority insisting the project was not a newly proposed development. The board said it wanted the access road to Canon del Sol intersecting with the state park road, but the county has been told by the state that it will not accept the condition.

The board pointed out it was rather niggardly of the state to refuse the access road, after it had been given the land by the

developer.

The developer, Canon del Sol, will also have to provide \$45,000 in park fees, the access road, a restroom facility, fencing and a 40-car parking lot for the new park in the Sand Dollar Beach area.

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