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### **Lifeguards Return to Ventura Harbor Beaches for Summer**

Daily lifeguard services begin Memorial Day weekend at all Ventura Harbor beaches off Spinnaker Drive.

Unanimously approved for 2018 by the Board of Port Commissioners, these services are funded by the Ventura Port District, which contracts with California State Parks.

The contract runs through Labor Day, with seasonal lifeguards covering the Harbors Surfers Knoll Beach and Harbor Cove Beach.

Starting and ending times may change throughout the summer to address crowd trends. Harbor Cove lifeguards will begin around 10 a.m. daily, and Surfers Knoll will begin by 11 a.m. on weekends. Additional coverage may include a beach patrol.

For questions on lifeguard times, call the State Lifeguards Dispatch at 805-648-3321.

The Ventura Port District and Harbor Patrol place a high priority on public safety and always advise beachgoers to swim by guarded lifeguard towers.

Complimentary beach parking and restrooms are available at both beach parking lots and street parking is available on Spinnaker Drive.

Harbor Cove Beach Café and Ventura Harbor Village offer beachgoers dining options, ice cream, drinks, as Harbor Village shops carry hats, swimwear, beach gear, sunscreen, towels, flip flops, beach rentals, and more.

“Ventura Harbor is one of the few locations in Ventura County that provides a complete user experience,” said Ventura Port District Harbormaster John Higgins. “Our harbor, beaches, merchants, restaurants, national park headquarters, sport fishing boats, dive boats and Island Packers give the visitor tremendous value and entertainment in one intimate location.”

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