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Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613 SCH# For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 Project Title: South Laguna Fuel Modification Project Lead Agency: City of Laguna Beach Fire Department Contact Person: Mike Rohde, Program Manager Mailing Address: 505 Forest Ave. Phone: 949-464-6683 City: Laguna Beach County: Orange County City/Nearest Community: Laguna Beach Project Location: County: Orange County Cross Streets: Near Ceanothus Dr., Alta Loma Dr., Holly Dr., Ocean View St., Valido Rd., Mar Vista Ave., Eagle Rock Wy., 3rd Ave., Sunset Ave., Hillhaven Ranch Wy. Zip Code: 92651 Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): ____o __' __" N / ___o __' __" W Total Acres: 20.4 Section: _____ Twp.: ____ Range: _____ Base: ____ Assessor's Parcel No.: multiple Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 1, 73, 133 Waterways: Airports: Railways: _____ Schools: Anneliese School - Aliso Campus Document Type: CEQA: NOP ☐ Draft EIR NEPA: □ NOI Supplement/Subsequent EIR Early Cons ☐ EA Final Document ☐ Neg Dec Draft EIS (Prior SCH No.) Other: Mit Neg Dec ☐ FONSI Local Action Type: General Plan Update ☐ Specific Plan Rezone ☐ Annexation General Plan Update Specific Plan
General Plan Amendment Master Plan Redevelopment Prezone Planned Unit Development Use Permit General Plan Element Coastal Permit ☐ Community Plan Site Plan ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☐ Other: **Development Type:** Residential: Units _____ Acres ___ Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees___ Transportation: Type Office: Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees Mining: Mineral
Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees Power: Type MW
Educational: Waste Treatment: Type MGD
Recreational: Hazardous Waste: Type
Water Facilities: Type MGD
Other: Fuel modification Project Issues Discussed in Document: Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality Septic Systems Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Water Supply/Groundwater Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects ☐ Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation: Open Space/Conservation Zone, Residential/Hillside Protection Zone, Residential Low Density Zone, Institutional Zone

The proposed project would create fuel management zone (FMZ) 20 (7.9 acres) adjacent to the South Laguna residential neighborhood and South Coast Water District office and water reservoir and FMZ 21 (12.5 acres) surrounding a residential neighborhood and Mission Hospital Laguna Beach. Hand crews would reduce or clear vegetation load in 100-foot wide sections within the FMZs to reduce the risk of wildfire threat to residential and public structures. The majority of perennial root systems would remain, and native vegetation waste would be mulched and left on-site to minimize erosion. Non-native vegetation waste would be transported to a green waste recycling facility or landfill if not recyclable. Exclusion areas within both FMZs would be established to avoid disturbance of known cultural resources, big-leaved crownbeard, and Coulter's Matilija poppy.

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

Reviewing Agencies Checklist Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X". If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S". Air Resources Board Office of Historic Preservation Boating & Waterways, Department of Office of Public School Construction California Emergency Management Agency Parks & Recreation, Department of California Highway Patrol Pesticide Regulation, Department of Caltrans District # 12 **Public Utilities Commission** Caltrans Division of Aeronautics Regional WOCB # 9 Caltrans Planning Resources Agency Central Valley Flood Protection Board Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm. Coastal Commission San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy Colorado River Board San Joaquin River Conservancy Conservation, Department of Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy Corrections, Department of State Lands Commission **Delta Protection Commission** SWRCB: Clean Water Grants Education, Department of SWRCB: Water Quality **Energy Commission** SWRCB: Water Rights Fish & Game Region # 5 Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Food & Agriculture, Department of Toxic Substances Control, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of Water Resources, Department of General Services, Department of Other: Southern California Association of Governments Health Services, Department of Housing & Community Development Other: Airport Land Use Commission S Other: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles District Native American Heritage Commission S Other: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service S Other: South Coast Air Quality Management District Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency) Starting Date July 8, 2021 Ending Date August 6, 2021 Lead Agency (Complete if applicable): Consulting Firm: Aspen Environmental Group Applicant: Mike Rohde, Program Manager Address: 5020 Chesebro Road Address: 505 Forest Ave. City/State/Zip: Agoura Hills, CA 91301 City/State/Zip: Laguna Beach, CA 92651 Contact: Lisa Blewitt, CEQA Project Manager Phone: 949-464-6683 Phone: 818-338-6759

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:

Date: 6-30-21