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**City of Ventura to host coastal walk during upcoming King Tides**

**Ventura, Calif.** - Community members are invited to join the City of Ventura and local environmental partners for a walk along the Beach Promenade to learn about King Tides and how sea level rise could impact our local coastline. The walk will take place on Saturday, January 21, 2023, starting at 8:30 a.m.

Participants will meet at Promenade Park, located off Shoreline Drive near Surfers Point. The one-way walk is a half-mile and should last for approximately 10 minutes.

“The high surf this week is an example of how powerful our ocean is,” shared Mayor Joe Schroeder. “In a few weeks, the annual King Tides will return to our coast, and I hope our residents take advantage of this year’s event by seeing them first-hand.”

The term “King Tide” is used to describe an especially high tide event when there is an alignment of the gravitational pull between the sun and moon. When King Tides occur during floods or storms, water levels can rise higher and have the potential to cause great damage to the coastline and coastal property.

“Ventura boasts seven miles of beautiful sandy beaches and valuable shoreline,” said Public Works Director Phil Nelson. “These yearly tides are a humble reminder that our coastline is vulnerable and highlights the innovative measures the City and many community partners have taken to combat erosion to help preserve our shoreline.”

The King Tides are expected along the Ventura coastline on Saturday, January 21, at 8:16 a.m., and Sunday, January 22, at 9:04 a.m.

Learn more about King Tides at [www.coastal.ca.gov/KingTides](http://www.coastal.ca.gov/KingTides). Visit [www.cityofventura.ca.gov/KingTides](http://www.cityofventura.ca.gov/KingTides) for more information and details about the event.

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