

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE**

Date: 2/27/07

Applying For: Los Osos Wastewater Project Technical Advisory Committee (Environmental seat)

Name: Daniel Berman

Address: [REDACTED]

Home Phone: [REDACTED] Business Phone: [REDACTED]

Fax Phone: [REDACTED] E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Supervisory District: 2 Years resided in County: 6

Present Occupation/Employer: Program Director, Morro Bay National Estuary Program

The Bay Foundation of Morro Bay, a 501 (c)(3) not for profit corporation is my legal employer.

The Foundation provides the legal and administrative framework for the Estuary Program.

If retired, past Occupation/Employer: _____

Education: Bachelor of Arts, Marine Biology, University of California at Santa Cruz. Highest Honors in the Major, College Honors

List any school courses, volunteer activities, special skills, training, certificates, licenses, or work experience that you feel relate to your qualifications. If you like, you may attach a separate sheet for this purpose or to state your qualifications.

My job is to lead and coordinate the many efforts underway to protect and restore the Morro Bay Estuary one of only 28 National Estuaries. Our efforts include restoration, water quality improvement projects, scientific research, extensive water quality monitoring, and community education and outreach. I have previous experience collecting and analyzing water quality data from throughout the Central Coast, and working with endangered species protections and regulations. Our mission is to protect and restore the Morro Bay Estuary and Watershed, Our state and federally approved Conservation Plan specifically calls for the Estuary Program to assist with the implementation of a wastewater treatment solution for Los Osos.

Previous service on county or city advisory bodies or an elected office (names/dates).

NONE

Membership in Organizations: Los Osos Chapter of SWAP;
Morro Coast Audubon Society
Estuarine Research Federation,
California Estuarine Research Society
Association of National Estuary Programs (Secretary, Board Member)

Please explain why you would like to serve (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

I believe that I can help the TAC accomplish its goals, and in doing so, help bring the community of
Los Osos a step closer to an effective wastewater solution that ends this longstanding source of water
quality degradation in the Morro Bay Estuary. As a resident of Los Osos, I want to be able to let my
children play along the shore of the estuary in Baywood without fearing for their health, and to be
part of a community that can thrive on the bay shore without polluting it. As the Director of the
Estuary Program, I bring the resources and reputation of an effective, respected, science-based
organization with broad stakeholder support and participation by local, state, and federal
environmental agencies. I have strong written and verbal communication skills, expertise with local
environmental issues including water quality, endangered species, and environmental regulations
and permits, and local experience working with diverse stakeholders and the public on controversial
topics. Whether I am selected or not, I hope the TAC will have someone to advocate on behalf of
the estuary throughout this process. I hope the county is blessed with an abundance of outstanding
applicants, and I look forward to providing whatever assistance I can in the capacity that the county
sees as most helpful. I have read the TAC bylaws and agree to abide by them if selected.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings or subcommittees? YES NO

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? YES NO

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Date called/interviewed _____ Recommended for appointment? YES NO

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone number published? YES NO

Additional Comments: _____
