Transpacific Fiber Optic Cable Landing – January 13, 2017

The Southeast Asia to the United States transpacific fiber optic cable, known as SEA-US, is scheduled to land in Hermosa Beach on Friday, January 13. The project and associated Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was approved and permitted by the City in early 2016. The SEA-US cable will increase telecommunications capacity and speed between California, Hawaii, Guam, the Philippines and Indonesia.

The landing operation will take three days to complete and is expected to proceed according to the following schedule:

- Thursday, Jan 12: Day 1 Preparation: 25th Street between Manhattan Ave. and Hermosa Ave. will be closed in order to access the manhole and prepare for cable pulling. The street will be closed for 3 days. A small dive boat will anchor offshore to prepare the existing pipe for the cable landing.
- Friday, Jan 13 Cable Landing Day: The main cable ship will be on location approximately ¾ miles off shore and a small dive vessel will be anchored over the end of the pipe. Using a wench located at the manhole on 25th Street, the fiber optic cable will be pulled ashore through the buried steel pipe which begins at the manhole and extends beneath the beach and well into the ocean. Once the cable is pulled into the manhole and secured, the cable ship will proceed to Hawaii.
- Saturday, Jan 14 Cable Splicing: In the manhole at 25th street, the marine cable will be spliced to the land cables. Splicing operations will begin as soon as the marine cable is landed and may go through the night Friday and end during the day on Saturday.

Please be aware that this schedule could shift up or back a day depending on weather and other vessel operations.

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