

MEMORANDUM

FROM: Vern Yadon

TO: City Manager

SUBJECT: Review of Point Pinos Lighthouse
Museum Memorandum to City Council

I think you have summarized the problems for maintaining the lighthouse exactly as they are. I would, however, add the following:

1. Through the summer an average of approximately 100 visitors stopped at the lighthouse each day of operation (3 hours). This visitor usage is continuing at present at approximately 50 per day.

2. It should be emphasized that a visitor center approach on the lighthouse grounds such as the National Park Service's operation of Point Loma would involve the construction of several buildings, parking and patio walkways. The entire character of the lighthouse reservation could be changed.

3. With National Park service or State operation, considerable pressure might be generated to protect the Indian midden sites at the Point, perhaps by closing the road around the reservation and/or restricting or removing the golf course.

4. My view is that it is to the best interest of the city to retain use of the lighthouse if possible.

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Director