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## News Release

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### **SIERRA CLUB MAKES ENDORSEMENT FOR IMPERIAL BEACH CITY COUNCIL**

#### **County's Largest Conservation Group Backs Ed Spriggs**

**SAN DIEGO – October 16, 2014:** The County's oldest and largest conservation group, Sierra Club San Diego, today announced its endorsement of Ed Spriggs for Imperial Beach City Council. "We are very pleased to announce that the Sierra Club endorses Ed Spriggs for re-election," said Chair Debbie Hecht. "We are confident that Ed will continue to protect the special environment of Imperial Beach."

The Sierra Club praised Ed Spriggs for his city council leadership. Council member Spriggs supported and helped fund dedicated bicycle lanes, promoted public improvements that are pedestrian-friendly, supported an experimental traffic circle to save fuel and reduce emissions, and the use of recycled water. Environmental issues of importance to the Club and the council member include cross-border pollution via Tijuana River and Mexican water treatment facilities; global warming impacts on all species including viral and bacterial diseases, and sea level rise; and balancing economic growth and viability with environmental improvements and sustainable use. Council member Spriggs currently serves on several commissions with environmental responsibilities and previously worked extensively on natural resource management issues in the Foreign Service.

"I successfully fought for and will continue to insist upon a balanced and transparent budget, improvements to our streets, alleys, better lighting and continued excellent public safety services, and a carefully planned, moderate approach to development that supports ecotourism and protects our wonderful environment", said Spriggs.

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**About the Sierra Club**

Founded in 1892, the Sierra Club is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots environmental organization. There are more than 700,000 members in 50 states, Puerto Rico and Canada. Sierra Club San Diego was founded in 1948 and has more than 10,000 members. Serving San Diego and Imperial Counties, it strives to preserve the special nature of the region through education, activism and advocacy.

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