



**Dune Restoration and Expansion Plan**  
Ventura Harbor Navigational Maintenance Dredging Program  
Ventura County, California

**Figure 10**



## 6.6. SYMBOLIC FENCING AND SIGNAGE

### Symbolic Fencing

Permanent symbolic fencing is proposed to be placed landward of the highest wet beach boundary in the past 30-years and seaward of the 1939 OHWM. Fencing is intended to be open in structure such that it does not impede wind yet provides a guide to the using public that areas within the fencing are to be avoided. Proposed fencing will consist of 4x4 posts, or 5-inch diameter posts set at 8-foot centers with a single 1-inch rope. Posts will be set a minimum of 40 inches into the beach and will extend to a height of 36-42-inches above grade. The fence will be designed to allow the top rope to be removed and replaced as needed and as dictated by maintenance and adaptive management activities. Example fences are shown below.



*Photographs of example post and rope symbolic fencing to be used at Hollywood Beach. Only one fence type would be used.*

Fencing is not planned to be placed within proximity to the sand trap Area D since this area will continue to be used to maintain harbor navigation channels and to bypass sand to down coast beaches. As a result, localized erosion is expected to continue to occur. The results of this erosion would be to fail fencing and then bury the fencing in accreted sand as the beach relaxes and then rebuilds. Fencing in this area is not considered to be necessary as the existing dunes provide the intended reduction in pedestrian and vehicular traffic within the areas adjacent to the sand trap.



*Example of symbolic fencing damage on an erosive beach. To avoid this result, fencing will not be placed near the sand trap.*

### Signage

Signage proposed under the plan includes two types, resource protection advisory signage and informational interpretive panels.

#### Resource Protection Advisory Signage

Resource protection advisory signage is intended to include regular distribution of signs to be posted on the symbolic fencing to discourage access when the rope is up. This is an informational semi-regulatory advisory sign that would be posted approximately every 10 posts (80 feet) along the perimeter of the symbolic fence. These signs would only be up when the rope barrier is present and would include English and Spanish language versions.

This signage would be printed on a stiff aluminum stock that is laid out to be well supported by the symbolic fencing posts such that there is limited risk of vandalism and damage to the signs. Surplus signs would be printed up for replacement seasonally as required to supplement the signage as needed.



*Signage to be used on symbolic fencing to be placed every 80 feet along the fence line.*