2017 TRAVEL OUTLOOK

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IMPORTANCE OF THE INDUSTRY

NEW PRODUCT

MOXI – The Wolf Museum of Exploration + Innovation **Reopening of Santa Barbara Inn** Hotel Californian – May 2017 Harbor View Inn expansion – complete in 2018 Rosewood Miramar Resort – summer of 2018 New property at former Hope Ranch Inn site Hilton Garden Inn Goleta – nearing completion Marriott Residence – nearing completion



THE NUMBERS

6 Million visitors travel to the South Coast each year.

Visitors infuse more than **\$1.56 billion** in direct spending into our local economy, generating **\$46 million** in tax revenues.

Santa Barbara South Coast is within the top five of our comp set with regard to occupancy. Our 2016 occupancy is 76.7% to date, slightly down from 77.1% in 2015.

ADR is up **4.6%** over 2015.

Revenue per available room (REV Par) was **up 3.3%**.



RESEARCH PROJECTS

One in three visitors surveyed stayed overnight (32.4%).

Day trippers still represent the vast majority at 67.6%

Visitors arriving by air up to 7.2% from 4.5% in 2012.

The average visitor made an average of **6 trips** to the area in the past **12 months**.

LA-Riverside-Orange County remains the top MSA of residence at **28.6%**.

83% of our visitors originate from the domestic United States.

The top international markets within the sample included the **U.K.** (3.3%) and **Canada** (3%).







CRUISE SHIP STUDY

Last year **29** cruise ships brought **80,831** passengers to Santa Barbara. 80% spent at least part of the day in Santa Barbara and surrounding communities. Cruise ship business contributed **\$3.9 million** to the local economy (up 61% from 2013). Average spend of **\$109.25** per travel party. Visitor spending estimated at \$650K per year. Cruise passengers return for longer stays. **56.4%** of SB cruise ship passengers were **first time visitors**. **48.7%** of passengers said they are likely to return within **1-2 years**, including nearly **8%** who are likely to return within **1 to 2 months**.



AIRLIFT DEVELOPMENT

Focus on increasing air service

Air accessibility and connectivity a challenge and opportunity for our region

Air service alliance task force formed in 2016

New nonstop American Airlines service from DFW

Sales efforts to secure other major carriers







