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Visitors to south San Luis Obispo County beaches over the 3-day Memorial Day weekend are offered a choice of two walks in the different areas of the ^{*scenic*} coastal sand dunes on Sunday May 29th.

The Sierra Club ^{*has*} received several hundred inquiries about walk schedules in the dunes in response to the article on Pismo Beach, published in the February issue of Sunset Magazine. Walks are scheduled twice during most weekends, ~~often~~ led by qualified naturalists familiar with the unusual coast dunes ecology.

On Sunday May 29th the morning walk will cover the Oso Flaco area of the Nipomo Dunes, drawing attention to the scenic and recreation values there and indicating the possible location of the petroleum coke conveyor proposed for construction through the dunes by Union Oil Company's subsidiary, Collier Carbon and Chemical Corporation. *The Sierra Club considers the proposed*

coke conveyor an incongruous industrial intrusion of the unique
The Sunday afternoon walk will go out into the state park *dunes area.* owned dunes near Arroyo Grande Creek. Attention will be called to the abundant birdlife and the characteristic trees, shrubs and wildflowers of the dunes ^{*colorful at this time of year.*} Afternoon leader will be Ralph O. Baker of Shell Beach, a naturalist.

required.
Membership in the Sierra Club is not ~~necessary~~. The public is cordially invited to attend, and children are most welcome. It is adviseable to bring drinking water and a sweater.

Both the morning walk which meets at 10:00 o'clock and the afternoon walk which meets at 2:30, will convene at the entrance to Oceano Campground of Pismo State Beach, located 3 mi. ^{*south*} of Pismo ^{*Beach.*}