

US Lighthouse re-dedication

On 20 August the US Coast Guard held a rededication ceremony at New Point Loma Lighthouse in San Diego, California.

Rededication is the official recognition of the light station's service career and honours its history as a Coast Guard aid to navigation.

Captain Timothy J Barelli, the Coast Guard Sector San Diego commander commented: *'Every time you see this light flash, know that lives are being saved, trade and travellers are flowing through our marine transit system, illegal drugs are prevented from entering our great nation and sailors are welcomed home.'*

The lighthouse was placed on secondary power in April 2017 while contractors and Coast Guard staff conducted renovations. This restoration cost over \$2 million and took approximately three years to complete. Coast Guard staff spent more than 30 hours rewiring the light during the final stages of construction, and the main light was formally re-lit in March of 2020.

The ceremony was attended by Congressman Scott Peters, Rear Admiral Brian K Penoyer, the Eleventh Coast Guard District commander, local Coast Guard members, the San Diego mayor and the National Park Service Cabrillo National Monument superintendent.

The event was initially scheduled last year (2020), but was postponed due to Covid-19.

Picture captions

The Coast Guard held a rededication ceremony at the New Point Loma Lighthouse in San Diego, 20 August 2021.

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2. The Honorable Scott Peters, US House of Representatives, and Rear Admiral Brian K Penoyer, the Eleventh Coast Guard District commander, cut the ribbon during the rededication ceremony at the New Point Loma Lighthouse in San Diego, 20 August.

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