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Description of Tour at Bolsa Chica State Beach Headquarters

This tour will start in the front office of the headquarters building and includes the first aid room, garage (where State Lifeguard and Peace Officer vehicles are located), main tower (highest point at the beach) and the Visitor Center. The tour will be led by State Park staff and may also contain a 10 – 15 minute talk by a State Park Peace Officer or Lifeguard. Possible topics on tour may be: Stingrays, Peace Officer / Lifeguard Profession, Marine Mammals & Birds of Bolsa Chica, Water Safety, History of Bolsa Chica, & Native Plants of Bolsa Chica. This tour is about 30 – 40 minutes.

<u>Description of Tour at Huntington State Beach Headquarters</u>

This tour will start in the front office of the headquarters building and includes the first aide room, garage (where State Lifeguard and Peace Officer vehicles are located), main tower (highest point at the beach) and the Conference Room which contains historical photos and memorabilia of the lifeguarding profession at Huntington State Beach. The tour will be led by State Park staff and may also contain a 10 – 15 minute talk by a State Park Peace Officer or Lifeguard. Possible topics on tour may be: Stingrays, Peace Officer / Lifeguard Profession, Marine Mammals & Birds of Huntington Beach, Water Safety, History of Huntington Beach, & Native Plants of Huntington Beach. This tour is about 30 minutes.

Additional Information

If you are interested in a tour at either location, please fill out the Tour Reservation Request. Tours are Monday – Friday, between the hours of 9 am – 4 pm. School groups, Boy/ Girl Scout groups and other groups with and educational affiliation for children up to the 12th grade will receive free parking and may stay at the beach for educational purposes once their tour has ended. If your group does not fall under this category, you will receive free parking for the tour only – if you wish to stay at the beach after your tour, you will be subject to regular day use fees. Tour groups consisting of more than 20 people will need to be split into two groups in order to accommodate our staff and the confines of our buildings. Tours may be made in conjunction with Beach Clean-up Requests.