ACCEPTANCE OF QUITCLAIM - CITY OF MARTINEZ

LOCATION:

Tide and submerged lands that are in or adjacent to the Carquins Wetland in Contra Costa County.

BACKGROUND:

Chapter 37, Statutes of 1851, and Chapter 442, Statutes of 1929, granted tide and submerged lands, both filled and unfilled, to the City of Martinez. The City also acquired interests in tide and submerged lands by purchase. In 1963 and 1964, certain land on the Martinez waterfront were encumbered under agreements between the City and the State of California for a marina and related development.

In April, 1976, following a two-year study, the City and East Bay Regional Park District adopted a Martinez Waterfront Use Plan. The plan, which was coordinated with proposals for the Martinez Marina Development, called for utilizing various attributes of the area for park and recreational uses, nature study, preservation of wetlands, and restoration of marshes.

In order to facilitate implementation of the plan, the Legislature enacted Chapter 815, Statutes of 1976, which repeated the existing legislative grants to the City. It granted in trust tide and submerged lands to East Bay Regional Park District and granted other described lands to the City. All lands were to be used and developed in accord with the Martinez Waterfront Use Plan.

The statute provided that the lands granted to East Bay Regional Park District be released from encumbrances of the City/State agreements and lease while assuring that lands of the City remain encumbered as necessary to meet existing obligations. The statute requires the City to quitclaim any interest it may have to all previously granted tidelands to the area granted to East Bay Regional Park District, as well as in other areas, before the statute becomes effective.
PURPOSE:

To accept a quitclaim deed from the City of Martinez, on behalf of the State of California, in compliance with the requirements of Section 111, Article V, Section 3 of Chapter 35, Statutes of 1845.

It is recommended that the Governor accept the quitclaim by City of Martinez on the accompanying exhibits that are in or adjacent to the canal/strait in Contra Costa County and are described in the quitclaim deed, on file with the Office of the State Lands Commission and by reference in a part hereof.

EXHIBITS: A. LOCATION MAP B. QUITCLAIM DEED