CITY OF AVALON, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CATALINA AIRPORT FEASIBILITY STUDY

BACKGROUND: On September 24, 1981 the City of Avalon and the County of Los Angeles received a grant in the amount of $175,320 from the Federal Aviation Administration, toward a $194,800 feasibility study of future airport development on Catalina Island.

The study objectives are to determine whether a new airport can be developed near the City of Avalon to help meet the Island's air travel demands; to determine the role of a new airport in the Island's total transportation system; and to review its potential role as compared to transportation system plan for Los Angeles County.

A number of alternative sites for the new airport will be identified and evaluated, including the existing airport site, Summit, Pebble Beach and Jewfish Point.

A contract for conducting the study is expected to be awarded in early 1982, with final recommendations due about one-year later.

Staff believes that early coordination among the affected Federal, State and local agencies in this feasibility study will best serve all interests involved in this project. Because the State Lands Commission's interests will be directly affected by the proposed study, staff requests the Commission's authorization to facilitate such inter-agency coordination.

AB 884: N/A.

EXHIBIT: A. Site Map.
IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE PARTIES AND OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES INVOLVED TO ENSURE EARLY INVOLVEMENT AND MAXIMUM COORDINATION AMONG THEM IN THIS STUDY.