MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. 14 was approved as Minute Item No. 14 by the California State Lands Commission by a vote of 3 to 5 at its 4-20-00 meeting.

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04/20/00 PRC 6841.9

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B. Dugal

ASSIGNMENT OF PERMIT

PERMITTEE/ASSIGNOR:

State of Arizona Arizona State Parks Board 1300 W. Washington Phoenix, Arizona 85007

ASSIGNEE:

City of Yuma 1793 South First Street Yuma, Arizona 85364

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

A strip of sovereign land in the south half of the Colorado River, in the city of Yuma, state of Arizona.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Construction, operation and maintenance of a public park and parkway facility together with necessary improvements needed for public access.

LEASE TERM:

49 years, beginning May 9, 1985.

CONSIDERATION:

The public use and benefit; with the State reserving the right at any time to set a monetary rent if the Commission finds such action to be in the State's best interest.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- 1. Assignee owns the uplands adjoining the permit premises.
- 2. The city of Yuma has developed a Master Plan for a proposed 100-acre Lower Colorado River Wetlands Resortation Project. The proposed

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project involves restoration of native upland and riparian habitat and will also provide increased recreational opportunities and public access along the Colorado River. A portion of the project area involves lands that are currently leased by the California State Lands Commission to the state of Arizona. The City has requested that the lands currently leased to the state of Arizona be assigned to the City in order to facilitate implementation of the West Wetlands project within the Permit premises.

3. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California code of Regulations, section 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA because the activity is not a "project" as defined by the CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21065 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15378.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Location Map
- B. Land Description

PERMIT STREAMLINING ACT DEADLINE:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

CEQA FINDING:

FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21065 AND TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15378.

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE THE ASSIGNMENT OF PERMIT NO. PRC 6841.9, A GENERAL PERMIT - PUBLIC AGENCY USE, OF SOVEREIGN LANDS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT B ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE.

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A PART HEREOF, FROM STATE OF ARIZONA, ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD TO THE CITY OF YUMA; EFFECTIVE APRIL 3, 2000.



