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APPLICANT:
Strawberry Recreation District
301 E. Strawberry Drive
Mill Valley, CA 94941

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:
Legislatively granted sovereign lands with minerals reserved to the State; located in the Sausalito Channel that accesses the Cove Apartments at Richardson Bay, Marin County.

AUTHORIZED USE:
Dredge a maximum of 45,000 cubic yards of material over 10 years to maintain a navigable depth. Dredged materials will be disposed at United States Army Corps of Engineers' designated disposal site SF-11 (Alcatraz). Dredged Material may not be sold.

LEASE TERM:
Ten years, beginning October 6, 2004.

CONSIDERATION:
No royalty will be charged, as the Project will result in a public benefit.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. This project is part of a larger dredging project, (240,000 cubic yards over ten years). No lease is required for the dredging of 195,000 cubic yards of material that will occur on that portion of land that is outside of State sovereign leasing jurisdiction.

2. 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 as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land; Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905(d) (4). Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15300 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905.

3. This activity involves lands which have NOT been identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq. However, the Commission has declared that all state school lands and submerged lands are "significant" by nature of their public ownership (as opposed to "environmentally significant"). Since such declaration of significance is not based upon the requirements and criteria of Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq., use classifications for such lands have not been designated. Therefore, the finding of the project's consistency with the use classification as required by Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2954 is not applicable.

FURTHER APPROVALS REQUIRED:
San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, U.S. Corps of Engineers, Regional Water Quality Control Board

EXHIBIT:
A. Location and Site Map

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 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND; TITLE 2, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 2905(d) (4).
AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A DREDGING LEASE TO STRAWBERRY RECREATION DISTRICT, BEGINNING OCTOBER 6, 2004, AND EXTENDING THROUGH OCTOBER 5, 2014, FOR DREDGING A MAXIMUM OF 45,000 CUBIC YARDS OF MATERIAL FROM THE SAUSALITO CHANNEL AT RICHARDSON BAY AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF. DREDGED MATERIALS WILL BE DISPOSED AT THE U.S ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS DESIGNATED DISPOSAL SITE SF-11 (ALCATRAZ). SUCH PERMITTED ACTIVITY IS CONTINGENT UPON APPLICANT'S COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE PERMITS, RECOMMENDATIONS, OR LIMITATIONS ISSUED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. DREDGED MATERIAL MAY NOT BE SOLD. NO ROYALTY SHALL BE CHARGED, AS THE PROJECT WILL RESULT IN A PUBLIC BENEFIT.
This exhibit is solely for purposes of generally defining the leased premises, is based on unverified information provided by lessee or other parties, and is not intended to be, nor shall it be construed to be a waiver or limitation of any state interest in the subject or any other property.