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CALIFORNIA STATE LANDS COMMISSION (PARTY)

Regular Item 59: The Commission listened to a staff presentation pertaining to discussion of an invitation for the SLC to join the California Maritime Transportation Homeland Security Evaluation and Training Support Consortium. The item was approved as presented by a 2-0 vote.

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CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA MARITIME TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM HOMELAND SECURITY EXERCISE EVALUATION AND TRANING SUPPORT CONSORTIUM

PROPOSAL:

The California Maritime Transportation System Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation and Training Support Consortium (Consortium) has invited the California State Lands Commission to join the organization as one of the "Core Member Institutions. The Commission's Staff proposes that the Commission authorize the Executive Officer to accept that invitation, to execute a membership agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit A and to participate in the Consortium in accordance with the agreement.

BACKGROUND:

The Consortium is a network of local, state, federal, and private organizations. Its purpose is to support and enhance the delivery of homeland security exercises, evaluation, education, and training to ensure the continued viability of California's maritime transportation system. The members agree to commit to building and maintaining a community of dedicated members of like interests who will be supportive of one another in order to attain common objectives. Core Member's will act collectively as an Executive Steering Committee, working to increase membership in the organization, to form other committees as necessary and appropriate and to provide oversight for publications, schedules and symposia of the Consortium.

The Consortium serves as a forum to ensure that California ports, harbors, and other elements of the maritime transportation system are afforded the opportunities to train and exercise in order to meet our domestic preparedness responsibilities, as articulated in federal and state statutes and regulations, in a manner that will set the national standard for excellence. The mission consists of six primary tenets:

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- 1. Serve as a forum to share information and develop consensus for action, to include funding strategies.
- 2. Promote and facilitate maritime transportation system homeland security training and exercises.
- 3. Encourage and facilitate maritime transportation system homeland security related research and development.
- 4. Promote, encourage, and deliver appropriate education courses to improve domestic preparedness awareness and response.
- 5. Encourage cooperation between institutions.
- 6. Cooperate with and support US Department of Homeland Security and other states by providing templates and "lessons learned."

The Commission would participate by virtue of its position as steward of the lands, waterways, and resources entrusted to its care for the benefit of the people of the State of California. Additionally, the Commission has regulatory authority in seaport security matters at California's marine oil terminals.

In addition to the Commission, the other Consortium Core Member Institutions would include the following:

- 1. California Marine and Intermodal Transportation System Advisory Council (CALMITSAC): A broad-based representative organization which consists of nearly all maritime-related associations, labor force, management, and state agencies which have responsibilities toward the maritime community. Designated as lead organization to coordinate activities of the Consortium (proposed).
- Governor's Office of Homeland Security (OHS): Lead State of California office for the coordination of homeland security strategies, policy, and funding.
- 3. California Maritime Infrastructure Authority (CMIA): Statewide joint powers agency with authority to conduct port and harbor critical infrastructure development and member training support and coordination for port and harbor agencies.

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- 4. California Military Department (CMD): State Executive Agent for the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation / Training Support Programs.
- Pacific Area Port Security Center (PAPSCEN): Regional center for research, doctrine, policy, and funding support. Also advocates for infrastructure development.
- 6. Joint Interagency Training Center-West (JITC-W) (formerly NICI): Provides strategic, management, and operational training across governmental lines to policy-makers and operators in the homeland security and homeland defense communities. Target audience includes members of the 54 State Joint Force Commands, USNORTHCOM, federal, state, and local government officials, and civilian critical infrastructure personnel.
- 7. California Maritime Academy (CMA): Educates and trains mariners and others. Provides continuing education. Consortium lead agency for shipboard exercises (vessel security plans) and selected facility exercises. Contributions include research, policy development, and doctrine development.
- 8. US Navy Center for Asymmetric Warfare (CAW): CAW is a national center which is dedicated to supporting US military forces to enable them to recognize, counter, and control the effects of Asymmetric Warfare (AW) in support of expeditionary US forces and Homeland Security (HLS). It supports training, education, and research; conducts technical testing and evaluation, and engages in experimentation. CAW provides a state link to federal agencies and resources.
- 9. Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL): Develops, evaluates, and provides technological products, to include simulations, to support exercises, training, and vulnerability assessments.
- 10. The Center for International Trade and Transportation (CITT) (to be invited): CITT is a university-industry-non-profit economic collaborative partnership formed in response to the community services needs of the international trade and multimodal industry of Southern California. Its focus is multimodal transportation studies and integrated logistics research, education, training, policy analysis, and technology transfer.
- 11. University of Southern California Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events (CREATE) (to be invited): CREATE's mission is to

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- improve the Nation's security through the development and application of tools for assessing the risks and consequences of terrorism.
- 12. Irvine Valley College (IVC): Will provide a national homeland security clearing house for the storage and distribution of related information, both secure and non-secure
- 13. US Coast Guard (USCG) (to be invited): The USCG is the Nation's lead agency for Maritime Homeland Security and has primary responsibility for our waterways and seaports.
- 14. California Highway Patrol (CHP) (to be invited): The mission of the California Highway Patrol is to provide the highest level of safety, service, and security to the people of California, and to assist governmental agencies during emergencies when requested, especially as it pertains to the transportation system.

The following are the guidelines and principles for voluntary membership in the Consortium:

- Members must be part of the maritime transportation system or be an agency that supports the homeland security requirements of that system. Members must demonstrate support for the primary tenants in the mission statement and actively pursue attainment of Consortium objectives.
- 2. Membership agreements would be signed by the appropriate member of the organization who is responsible for its part of homeland security.
- 3. Members would agree to send a representative to scheduled meetings and to provide routine updates on organizational activities that support Consortium activities.
- 4. Members would agree to share resources curriculum, libraries, faculty, staff and other personnel, plus expertise to the extent possible.
- 5. Members would agree to share research results and permit posting of quality research papers to the designated website.
- 6. Members would promote homeland security education analysis, research and publication.

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- 7. Members would support the development of the capability to conduct distributed learning in homeland security education subjects utilizing advanced communications and computer technologies.
- 8. Members would agree to have their institutions linked to the designated website(s).

Staff believes that the mission and the goals of the Consortium are consistent with the Commission's authorities and responsibility under Public Resources Code. Staff recommends that the Commission authorize the Executive Officer to accept the invitation of the Consortium and sign a membership agreement.

CONDITIONS:

All activities authorized by the Commission shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

AUTHORIZATION PERIOD:

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

A. Public Resources code Sections 8750 through 8760

PERMIT STREAMLINING ACT DEADLINE:

N/A

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), Staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA because the activity is not a "project" as defined by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE14, 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.
- 2. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION OF THE CONSORTIUM TO BECOME A CORE MEMBER INSTITUTION UNDER

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THE TERMS OF AN AGREEMENT SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM OF EXHIBIT A.

- 3. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM OF EXHIBIT A.
- 4. AUTHORIZE STAFF TO TAKE WHATEVER ACTIONS ARE NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSORTIUM UNDER THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT EXECUTED.

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