

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. C40 was approved as Minute Item No. 41 by the California State Lands Commission by a vote of 2 to 0 at its 12-08-05 meeting.

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DREDGING LEASE

APPLICANT:

City of Santa Barbara
P.O. Box 1990
Santa Barbara, CA 93102-1990

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Legislatively granted sovereign tide and submerged lands with minerals reserved to the State in Santa Barbara Harbor, city of Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Dredge a maximum of 500,000 cubic yards annually, with a cumulative ten-year maximum volume of 5,000,000 cubic yards. The material will be dredged from the following four areas: Leadbetter Beach, West Beach, East Beach, and Marina. Only materials meeting sediment quality standards will be dredged and deposited onshore.

The dredged material will be placed on or immediately offshore adjacent beaches, on lands granted to the city of Santa Barbara, to provide sand nourishment and offset erosion effects.

LEASE TERM:

Ten years, beginning December 9, 2005.

CONSIDERATION:

No royalty will be charged, as the project will result in a public benefit. Dredged material may not be sold.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Applicant is the Trustee of the legislatively granted sovereign tide and submerged lands pursuant to Chapter 78, Statutes of 1925, as amended.

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2. Sediment accumulated in the waterfront area consists primarily of clean sands that are transported by natural longshore current processes and deposited within the protected areas of the Harbor and other waterfront areas. Sediment is also naturally transported by creek runoff and deposited in the waterfront area. Dredging, filling and grading would occur as necessary in order to attain and maintain the ideal configuration for navigation, recreation, operations, and economics. Sand would only be added to areas lower than the ideal configuration, and sand would only be taken away from areas higher than the ideal configuration.

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 CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land; Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15304(g).

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15300.

4. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Codes section 6370, et seq. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

APPROVALS OBTAINED:

None

FURTHER APPROVALS REQUIRED:

United States Army Corps of Engineers; California Coastal Commission, California Regional Water Control Board.

EXHIBIT:

- A. Site Map

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

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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 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15304 (g).

SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:

FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE USE CLASSIFICATION DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE LAND PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 6370, ET SEQ.

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A DREDGING LEASE TO THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA BEGINNING DECEMBER 9, 2005, FOR A TERM OF TEN YEARS, FOR DREDGING A MAXIMUM OF 500,000 CUBIC YARDS ANNUALLY, WITH A CUMULATIVE TEN-YEAR MAXIMUM VOLUME OF 5,000,000 CUBIC YARDS ON THE LANDS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; SUCH PERMITTED ACTIVITY IS CONTINGENT UPON APPLICANT'S COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE PERMITS, RECOMMENDATIONS, OR LIMITATIONS ISSUED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; NO ROYALTY SHALL BE CHARGED, AS THE PROJECT WILL RESULT IN A PUBLIC BENEFIT; DREDGED MATERIAL MAY NOT BE SOLD.

NO SCALE

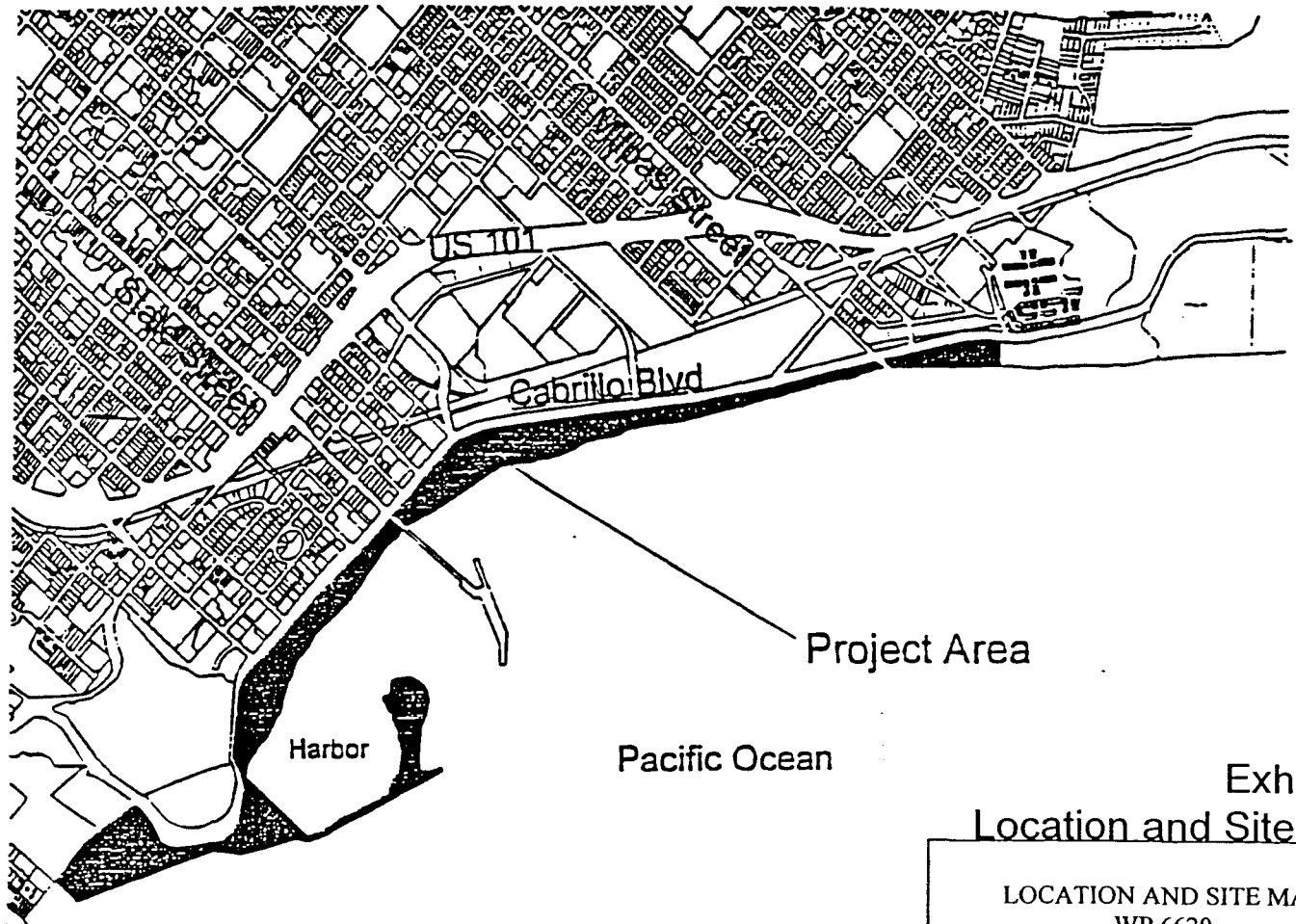


Exhibit A

Location and Site Map

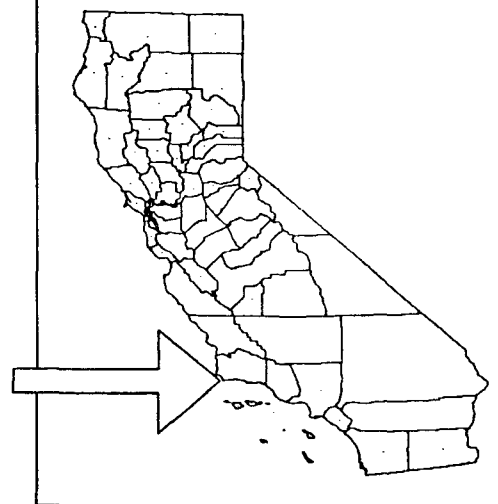
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Dredging Lease

Santa Barbara Harbor

City of Santa Barbara



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This Exhibit is solely for purpose of generally defining the project area, is based on unverified information provided by lessee or other parties, and is not intended to be, nor shall it be construed as, a waiver or limitation of any state interest in the subject or any other property.

J.L. 12/08/05