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**CONSIDER RESCISSION OF THE CURRENT DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE LANDS COMMISSION STAFF
AND ADOPTION OF A NEW DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

PARTY: California State Lands Commission

BACKGROUND:

The California State Lands Commission, in accordance with law, provides for the delegation of certain responsibilities and authority to the Executive Officer and staff of the Commission. A comprehensive delegation of authority was last made by approval of Calendar Item 35 at the May 1, 1991, Commission meeting.

Since that delegation was made, the Commission staff has undergone some reorganizations in divisions and changes to position designations, making it necessary to modify existing delegations. In light of eliminations of certain positions and pending retirements, the lines of authority in the potential absence of an Executive Officer, an Assistant Executive Officer and/or a Chief Counsel need to be clarified. Provisions are also needed to clarify actions the Executive Officer could take in response to an emergency that cannot wait until a noticed Commission meeting.

Staff therefore recommends that the Commission rescind all prior delegations of authority, including that approved in 1991, and authorize a new comprehensive delegation of authority. The Commission would delegate the authority specified to the Executive Officer. The Commission's delegation would provide that the Executive Officer may re-delegate such authority, as he or she may deem appropriate, to various specified officers or members of the Commission staff. This re-delegation must be in writing, and may consist only of such of the Executive Officer's authority as specifically authorized by the Commission. Staff also recommends that all re-delegations executed by the Executive Officer now in effect shall remain in effect under the new delegation to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the delegation attached as Exhibit A and unless and until replaced, modified or otherwise rescinded.

Statutory References:

Public Resources Code Section 6110

Exhibit:

A: Comprehensive Delegation of Authority

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Commission:

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1. Rescind all prior Delegations of Authority.
2. Approve the Delegation of Authority as set forth in Exhibit A attached and by reference made a part hereof.
3. Authorize and direct that all re-delegations of authority executed by the Executive Officer and now in effect shall remain in effect under the new delegation to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the delegation attached as Exhibit A and unless and until replaced, modified or otherwise rescinded.