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GENERAL LEASE - RECREATIONAL USE

APPLICANTS:

Charles W. King, III, and Patricia King Porter, Trustees of the 1999 Michael James King Family Trust dated March 26, 1999

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Sovereign land in Lake Tahoe, adjacent to 4830 West Lake Boulevard, near Homewood, Placer County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Continued use and maintenance of one existing mooring buoy.

LEASE TERM:

10 years, beginning February 1, 2013.

CONSIDERATION:

\$377 per year, with the State reserving the right to fix a different rent periodically during the lease term, as provided in the lease.

SPECIFIC LEASE PROVISIONS:

Insurance:

Liability insurance with coverage of no less than \$1,000,000.

Other:

The proposed lease contains a provision requiring the Applicant to obtain authorization from the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) for the mooring buoy within two years of the adoption of a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Lake Tahoe Shorezone Ordinance Amendments and approval of the amended ordinances. This is a continuation of the process the Commission used from approximately 1995 to October 2008 when TRPA adopted an FEIS and Ordinance Amendments supported by the FEIS. In September 2010, the U.S. District Court invalidated the FEIS and nullified the Amendments. When additional information is available, Commission staff will advise the

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Commission on any suggested modifications to the process used by the Commission pending resolution of the TRPA FEIS and ordinance issues.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- 1. Applicants own the upland adjoining the lease premises.
- 2. On June 18, 2002, the Commission authorized a 10-year Recreational Pier Lease with Grant F. Chappell and Lois M. Chappell for an existing mooring buoy that expired on March 31, 2012. However, on August 12, 2011, the upland property was transferred to Charles Wilbur King, Trustee of the 1999 Michael James King Family Trust dated March 26, 1999. On December 31, 2012, the upland property was again transferred to Charles W. King, III, and Patricia King Porter, Trustees of the 1999 Michael James King Family Trust dated March 26, 1999. Applicants are now applying for a new General Lease – Recreational Use.
- 3. On October 8, 2011, Chapter 585, Statutes of 2011 became law. The law became effective January 1, 2012. This new law repeals section 6503.5 of the Public Resources Code, which had allowed rent-free use of State-owned land by certain private parties for their recreational piers. It replaced the former section with a new section 6503.5 which provides that the State Lands Commission "shall charge rent for a private recreational pier constructed on state lands." The law provides for two exceptions to the imposition of rent. Those exceptions are for:
 - A. A lease in effect on July 1, 2011 through the remaining term of that lease. If a lease in effect on July 1, 2011 expires or is otherwise terminated, any new lease will be subject to rent; and
 - B. A lease for which the lease application and application fees were submitted to the Commission prior to March 31, 2011.

Because the application was submitted to the Commission on October 27, 2011, the lease does not meet the statutory requirements for an exception to recently enacted changes to Section 6503.5 of the Public Resources Code and is subject to rent.

4. The staff recommends that the Commission find that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 1,

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Existing Facilities; California Code of Regulations, Title 2, section 2905, subdivision (a)(2).

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15300 and California Code of Regulations, Title 2, section 2905.

5. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370 et seq., but such activity will not affect those significant lands. 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.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Land Description
- B. Site and Location Map

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Commission:

CEQA FINDING:

Find that the activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15061 as a categorically exempt project, Class 1, Existing Facilities; California Code of Regulations, Title 2, section 2905, subdivision (a)(2).

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 issuance of a General Lease – Recreational Use to Charles W. King, III, and Patricia King Porter, Trustees of the 1999 Michael James King Family Trust dated March 26, 1999, beginning February 1, 2013, for a term of 10 years, for the continued use and maintenance of one mooring buoy described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B (for reference purposes only) attached and by this reference made part hereof; annual rent in the amount of \$377, with the State reserving the right to fix a

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different rent periodically during the lease term, as provided in the lease; and liability insurance in the amount of no less than \$1,000,000.

EXHIBIT A

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LAND DESCRIPTION

A parcel of submerged lands situated in the bed of Lake Tahoe, lying adjacent to Lot 1 of fractional Section1, Township 14 North, Range 16 East, M.D.B.&M., as shown on Official Government Township Plat approved January 17, 1866, County of Placer, State of California, more particularly described as follows:

A circular parcel of land, being 50 feet in diameter, underlying an existing buoy lying adjacent to that parcel described in Grant Deed recorded August 15, 2011 as Document Number 2011-0062344-00 in Official Records of said County.

Accompanying plat is hereby made part of this description.

END OF DESCRIPTION

Prepared 10/31/2012 by the California State Lands Commission Boundary Unit.





