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ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

LESSEE/ASSIGNOR:

Donald L. Rising, Steven A. Rising, and Darlene Rising Kluber

APPLICANT/ASSIGNEE:

Jade M. Zatkovich and Stefen Peter English

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Sovereign land in Mare Island Strait, adjacent to 40 Sandy Beach Road, near Vallejo, Solano County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Continued use and maintenance of a portion of an existing residence, deck, and appurtenant facilities.

LEASE TERM:

30 years, beginning February 9, 2016.

CONSIDERATION:

\$599 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:

Liability insurance in an amount no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

STAFF ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION:

Authority:

Public Resources Code sections 6005, 6216, 6301, 6501.1, and 6503;
California Code of Regulations, title 2, sections 2000 and 2003.

Public Trust and the State's Best Interests Analysis:

On February 9, 2016, the Commission authorized a General Lease – Recreational and Residential Use to Donald L. Rising, Steven A. Rising, and Darlene Rising Kluber ([Item C32, February 9, 2016](#)). That lease will

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expire on February 8, 2046. On July 3, 2018, interest in the upland parcel was deeded to Jade M. Zatkovich and Stefen Peter English. An assignment of the lease is now being requested.

The recommended action will not substantially interfere with the Public Trust needs at this time and at this location. The lease assignment will not change the use of the lease premises. For these reasons, staff recommends finding the proposed action is in the best interests of the State at this time.

Climate Change:

Climate change impacts, including sea-level rise, more frequent and intense storm events, and increased flooding and erosion, affect both open coastal areas and inland waterways in California. The lease area is located in Mare Island Strait, which is a tidally-influenced site vulnerable to flooding at current sea levels and will be at higher risk of flood exposure given projected scenarios of sea-level rise.

The risk of flood exposure for the lease premises is likely to increase with time. The region could see up to 1 foot of sea-level rise (from year 2000 levels) by 2030, 2 feet by 2050, and possibly more than 5 feet by 2100 (National Research Council 2012). Rising sea levels can lead to more frequent flood inundation in low-lying areas and larger tidal events. The subject facilities are also classified within FEMA's Coastal High Hazard Area as an area currently subject to inundation by the 1-percent-annual-chance flood event, with additional hazards due to storm-induced velocity wave action.

In addition, as stated in Safeguarding California (California Natural Resources Agency 2014), climate change is projected to increase the frequency and severity of natural disasters related to flooding, fire, drought, extreme heat, and storms (especially when coupled with sea-level rise). In rivers and tidally-influenced waterways, more frequent and powerful storms can result in increased flooding conditions and damage from storm created debris. Climate change and sea-level rise will further influence coastal and riverine areas by changing erosion and sedimentation rates. Near-coastal riverine areas will be exposed to increased wave force and run up, potentially resulting in greater bank erosion than previously experienced. Finally, in rivers and tidally influenced waterways, flooding and storm flow will likely increase scour, decreasing bank stability and structure.

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The lease is a 30-year General Lease – Residential and Recreational Use that began on February 9, 2016 and may be subject to the climate change effects of the projected scenario of 1 to 2 feet of sea-level rise (from year 2000 levels) by 2050 as provided above. Regular maintenance and implementing best management practices, as required by the terms of the lease, will help reduce the likelihood of severe structural degradation, dislodgement, or hazards from the electrical conduits. Further climate change impact analyses on the leased facilities will be assessed at the time the lease is up for renewal in 2046 and would be based on projected sea-level rise scenarios at that time.

Conclusion:

For all the reasons above, Commission staff believes the approval of this lease assignment will not substantially interfere with the Public Trust needs at this location and at this time and the foreseeable term of the lease, and in the best interests of the State.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. This activity is consistent with Strategy 1.1 of the Commission's Strategic Plan to deliver the highest levels of public health and safety in the protection, preservation, and responsible economic use of the lands and resources under the Commission's jurisdiction.
2. Assignment of lease is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act because it is an administrative action that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21065 and California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15378, subdivision (b)(5).

EXHIBITS:

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

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Commission:

PUBLIC TRUST AND STATE'S BEST INTERESTS:

Find that the proposed lease assignment will not substantially interfere with the Public Trust needs and values at this location at this time and for the foreseeable term of the lease and is in the best interests of the State.

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AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize the assignment of Lease No. PRC 9308.1, a General Lease – Recreational and Residential Use, of sovereign land as described in Exhibit A, Land Description, and shown on Exhibit B, Site and Location Map (for reference purposes only), attached and by this reference made a part hereof, from Donald L. Rising, Steven A. Rising, and Darlene Rising Kluber, to Jade M. Zatkovich and Stefen Peter English, effective July 3, 2018.

EXHIBIT A

PRC 9308.1

LAND DESCRIPTION

A parcel of submerged land situate in Mare Island Strait, City of Vallejo, County of Solano, State of California, lying adjacent to and within the external boundaries of Parcel 44 as shown on that certain Record of Survey titled "Sandy Beach Cabin Sites", filed February 14, 1944 in Book 1 of Maps, at Pages 1 and 2, Solano County Records, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northerly corner of said parcel; thence southwesterly along the northwesterly boundary and the southwesterly prolongation thereof, 106.7 feet; thence leaving said prolongation in a southeasterly direction perpendicular to said prolongation to a point on the southwesterly prolongation of the southeasterly boundary of said parcel; thence northeasterly along said southwesterly prolongation and the southeasterly boundary of said parcel, 98.1 feet to the easterly corner of said parcel; thence in a northwesterly direction along the northeasterly boundary of said parcel to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM any portion lying landward of the ordinary low water mark of Mare Island Strait.

END OF DESCRIPTION

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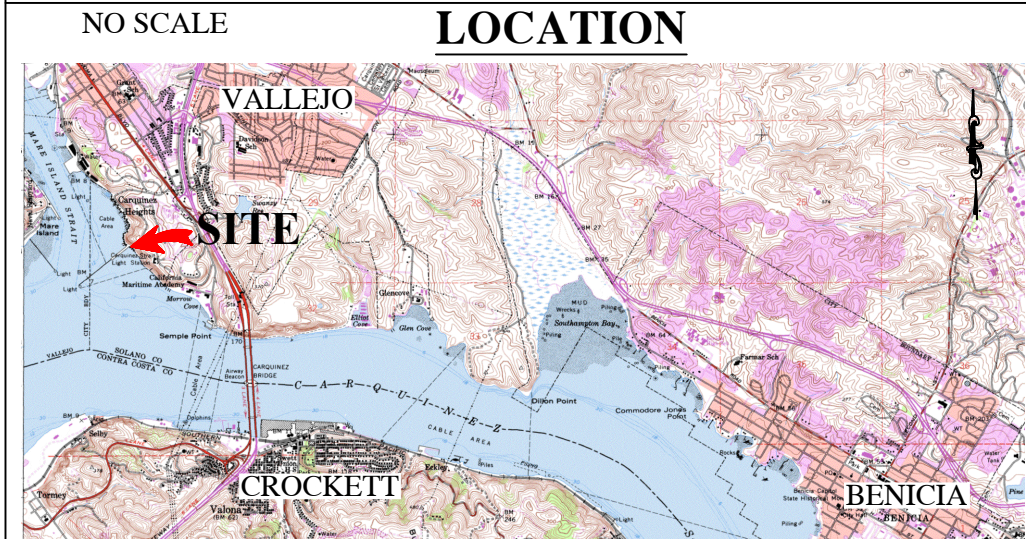
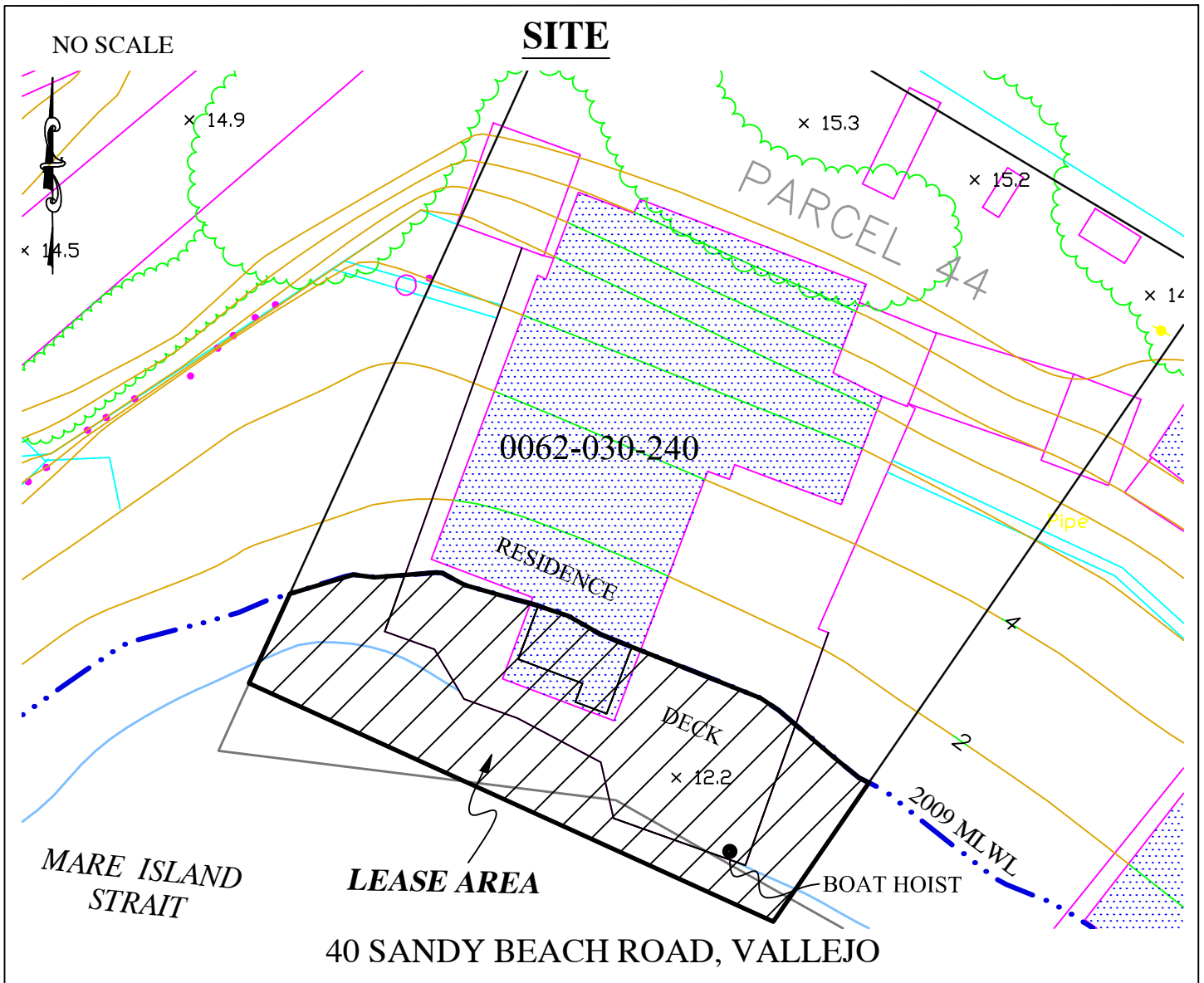


Exhibit B
 PRC 9308.1
 ENGLISH & ZATKOVICH
 APN 0062-030-240
 GENERAL LEASE -
 RESIDENTIAL &
 RECREATIONAL USE
 SOLANO COUNTY



This Exhibit is solely for purposes of generally defining the lease premises, is based on unverified information provided by the 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.