

CHAPTER 1415

An act to add Sections 6306.1 and 6306.2 to the Public Resources Code, relating to tidelands and submerged lands, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6306.1 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

6306.1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Lands Commission and the City of Los Angeles, acting by and through its Board of Harbor Commissioners, may take all actions which are necessary for mitigation of expansion of the Port of Los Angeles by the enhancement, restoration, and management of Batiquitos Lagoon in the County of San Diego. Nothing in this section exempts the Batiquitos Lagoon Restoration Project from the regulatory requirements or jurisdiction of any public entity.

If any interests in property are acquired as a part of the Batiquitos Lagoon mitigation project, these interests are to be held in trust for the public as sovereign lands by the State Lands Commission.

The Legislature finds that adequate area for appropriate mitigation of impacts on biological resources does not presently exist within Los Angeles Harbor. The City of Los Angeles, acting by and through its Board of Harbor Commissioners, may expend harbor revenue funds to enhance, restore, and manage Batiquitos Lagoon. The Legislature further finds that the enhancement, restoration, and management of Batiquitos Lagoon will provide benefits to the Port of Los Angeles and the community because it will (1) facilitate the development of an outer harbor landfill which is the initial step in relocating hazardous liquid bulk facilities in the port, thereby providing substantial safety benefits to the surrounding community, (2) allow the port, as part of a larger project, to generate substantial additional revenues to carry out the mandate in the state tidelands grants that the port promote commerce, navigation, and fishery; and (3) create future opportunities for recreational development consistent with tideland grants.

The port shall provide a recreational boating sanitation facility, navigational aids in the Cabrillo Channel, and a free boating safety publication. Provision of these facilities shall be considered by the California Coastal Commission in determining whether the conditions of coastal permit 5-85-623 have been met.

SEC. 2. Section 6306.2 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

6306.2. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in order to mitigate the effects of the project which is the subject of the Department of the Army Permit No. 14003E48B, issued July 23, 1986, the City of Oakland, acting by and through its Board of Port Commissioners, may use revenue accruing from, or out of, the use of granted tidelands, for the acquisition of land, or an interest in land, located outside the geographical boundaries of the trust grant, or for the enhancement, restoration, or management of land located outside the trust grant, if the commission makes all of the following determinations:

(1) That adequate areas for appropriate mitigation do not presently exist within the geographical boundaries of the port district trust grants, and that if some of the mitigation can occur within the geographical boundaries of the port district trust grants, that mitigation will be included in the mitigation program.

(2) That the proposed offsite mitigation best promotes appropriate public trust purposes for which sovereign tidelands and submerged lands are held by the state, its location is appropriate in consideration of public trust needs, and it addresses the specific impacts of the project.

(3) That, unless the proposed offsite mitigation is to be located within another tidelands trust grant, title to any land or interest in land acquired, as well as any land which is to be enhanced, restored, or managed, will be transferred to the state, acting by and through the State Lands Commission, to be held in trust for the public as land having the legal character of sovereign lands.

(4) That the mitigation is in the best interest of the state.

(b) The State Lands Commission may lease any land or interest in land transferred to it pursuant to this section, as provided by Part 2 (commencing with Section 6501).

SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to provide for the expansion of facilities of the Port of Los Angeles and of the Metropolitan Oakland International Airport as early as possible, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.