NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been prepared by the California State Lands Commission (CSLC), as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.), in response to an application submitted by Georgia Pacific Gypsum, LLC for the Georgia Pacific Gypsum Antioch Wharf Upgrade Project (Project). The MND is in compliance with the requirements of CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15000 et seq.), and CSLC Regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2901 et seq.). This Notice fulfills a State regulatory process noticing and review requirement for the CSLC.

Project Title: Georgia Pacific Gypsum Antioch Wharf Upgrade Project

Project Location: The Project is located on the San Joaquin River, approximately 2 miles west of the Antioch Bridge, offshore from 801 Minaker Drive, city of Antioch; Contra Costa County.

Project Description: Georgia Pacific Gypsum, LLC proposes to upgrade its Antioch Wharf on the San Joaquin River in Antioch. The Project would include the following: (1) Remove five existing timber breasting and mooring dolphins and two wooden walkways; (2) Install four new 72-inch-diameter hollow-core steel monopiles (each with a cone fender system) driven to about 65 feet below the mudline, three new 42- to 48-inch-diameter hollow-core steel monopiles driven to about 55 feet below the mudline, and nine new walkway segments (connecting the new mooring dolphins) supported by six 24- to 30-inch-diameter steel-pipe piles driven to about 40 to 50 feet below the mudline; and (3) Repair one timber piling and 12 stringers on the wharf. All activities would be carried out from offshore (no uplands) over an approximate 8-week construction period.

The Project MND can be downloaded, in PDF format, at www.slc.ca.gov (click on the Information and CEQA Updates links). Hard copies and/or CDs of the MND are also available for review at the locations below.
The MND is available for a 30-day review period. All comments must be received by July 17, 2015, and can be sent to:

California State Lands Commission
Attention: Afifa Awan
100 Howe Ave., Suite 100-South
Sacramento, CA 95825

Important Notes to Commenters

1. You are encouraged to submit electronic copies of your written comments. If written comments are sent by e-mail, please send the comments to CEQAcmtents@slc.ca.gov and write the following in the subject line of your email: Antioch Wharf Project Comments. If written comments are faxed, please also mail a copy to ensure that a clean copy is received by this office.

2. If you represent a public agency, please provide the name, e-mail address, and telephone number for the contact person in your agency for the Project.

3. Before including your mailing or e-mail address, telephone number, or other personal identifying information in your comment, please be aware that the entire comment—including personal identifying information—may become publicly available, including in the MND and posted on the Internet. The CSLC will make available for inspection, in their entirety, all comments submitted by organizations or businesses or by individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations or businesses.

The Project’s MND will be considered for adoption at the August 19, 2015, scheduled meeting of the CSLC, unless otherwise stated on the CSLC’s website. The specific time and location will be posted on the CSLC’s website at www.slc.ca.gov when specific meeting information becomes known.

Should you have any questions or need additional information from a State or CEQA perspective, please contact Afifa Awan at (916) 574-1891, or via e-mail at Afifa.Awan@slc.ca.gov.

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