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AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SOLICIT AND ACCEPT THE LOWEST QUALIFIED BID FOR REMOVAL OF STEEL SHEET PILING GROINS AT THE BILTMORE HOTEL, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

In January of 1977, the Commission received a Federal grant of \$787,500 to locate and remove potentially hazardous obstructions in the beach and offshore areas of Santa Barbara County.

Although most of this money is earmarked by staff for location and removal of remnants of former oil well structures, the remnants of a 40-year old steel sheet piling groin in the area offshore from the Marriott Biltmore Hotel presents a similar type of hazard to members of the public who boat and surf in the area. Staff was made aware of the existance of this structure by the Office of Assemblyman Gary Hart of Santa Barbara.

Staff has prepared plans and specifications which call for the use of hydraulic or compressed air jetting equipment, underwater electric arc cutting torches and the possible use of explosives in order to remove the groin.

The equipment will be operated by a diver and an assistant operating a boat with supporting equipment. The groin remnants will be pulled ashore by means of a 4-wheel drive equipped with a power operated winch. Removal operations will occur during favorable tide and weather conditions in October or November of this year.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SOLICIT AND ACCEPT THE LOWEST QUALIFIED BID FOR REMOVAL OF THE REMAINS OF A STEEL SHEET PILING GROIN IN THE OCEAN NEAR THE MARRIOTT BILTMORE HOTEL IN SANTA BARBARA.

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