MINUTE ITEM

Item No. 37

Approved as Minute Item No. 27 by the State Lands Commission by a vote of 2 to 0 at its 6/26/86 meeting.

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MAINTENANCE DREDGING POLICIES

At the request of industry and permittee representatives, State Lands Commission staff has reviewed maintenance dredging policies.

Dredging projects range from a few thousand cubic yards up to over a million cubic yards. The Commission imposes royalties and authorizes commercial dredging for materials such as oyster shells or gravel or sand. In the case of maintenance dredging, charges are made to permittees when spoils are put on private uplands or in a submerged location where the spoils become unrecoverable. Governmental agencies are not charged when their dredging activities are considered to be in the public benefit, and spoils are not deposited on commercial or private properties.

Staff has prepared a report on dredging policies and developed several recommendations for changes to current policy. Staff requests permission to circulate the Preliminary Review of State Lands Commission Maintenance Dredging Policies for a forty-five day public comment and review.

Copies of the report are on file at the main office of the Commission.

AB 884: N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Adm. Code 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA because the activity is not a "project" as defined by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

   Authority: P.R.C. 21065 and 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15378.

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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C. 21065 AND 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15378.

2. RELEASE FOR REVIEW AND PUBLIC COMMENT THE PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF STATE LANDS COMMISSION MAINTENANCE DREDGING POLICIES.

3. DIRECT STAFF TO RECEIVE COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT FOR FORTY-FIVE DAYS AND RETURN TO THE COMMISSION WITH A FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE AUGUST 1986 MEETING.