MINUTE ITEM
This Calendar Item No. C34 was approved as Minute Item No. 34 by the California State Lands Commission by a vote of 3 to 0 at its 4-20-00 meeting.

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04/20/00
PRC 5633.9
J. Ludlow

AMENDMENT OF GENERAL PERMIT - PUBLIC AGENCY USE

LESSEE:

United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Arcata Field Office
Attention: Charlotte Hawks
1695 Heindon Road
Arcata, CA 95521-4573

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Two strips of sovereign tide and submerged lands adjacent to the Pacific Ocean, in Humboldt and Mendocino counties.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Management of restricted vehicular use along beach areas within State tidelands adjacent to the King Range Conservation Area in Humboldt and Mendocino counties as shown as Parcels 1 and 2 on the attached Exhibit B.

LEASE TERM:

49 years, beginning March 1, 1979.

CONSIDERATION:

The public use and benefit, with the State reserving the right at any time to set a monetary rental if the Commission finds such action to be in the State's best interest.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Permittee wishes to expand the existing permit area to include the State lands that are contiguous to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands in the Mattole River and the Mattole River Estuary described as Parcel 3 in Exhibit A and shown as Parcel 3 on Exhibit B.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Applicant owns the uplands adjoining the lease premises.

2. During periods of low water, vehicles gain access to the beach by driving out onto the riverbed of the estuary and into presently restricted zones on Federal land. This use has caused soil and gravel compaction in the riverbed, which is detrimental to salmonid spawning habitat. The use also results in vegetation destruction from paths made by four-wheel drive vehicles. The vehicles also cause damage to archaeological sites, species of plants, and nesting habitat.

3. BLM has requested the existing area be expanded, as proposed, in order to enhance the management and protection of the natural resources of the Mattole River and Estuary.

4. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 7, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources; Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15307.

   Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15300.

5. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

EXHIBITS:

A. Land description
B. Location map

PERMIT STREAMLINING ACT DEADLINE:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

CEQA FINDING:
FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 7, ACTIONS BY REGULATORY AGENCIES FOR PROTECTION OF NATURAL RESOURCES; TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15307.

SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:
FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE USE CLASSIFICATION DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE LAND PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTIONS 6370, ET SEQ.

AUTHORIZATION:
AUTHORIZE THE AMENDMENT OF LEASE NO. PRC 5633.9, A GENERAL PERMIT – PUBLIC AGENCY USE TO EXPAND THE PERMIT AREA TO INCLUDE TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS IN THE MATTOLE RIVER AND ESTUARY ADJACENT TO THE KING RANGE CONSERVATION AREA DESCRIBED AS PARCEL 3 IN EXHIBIT A AND SHOWN AS PARCEL 3 IN EXHIBIT B AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF, EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2000; ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LEASE WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT WITHOUT AMENDMENT.

Exhibit A
LAND DESCRIPTION

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PARCEL 1

A strip of tideland of variable width, in the Pacific Ocean, Humboldt County California; bounded on the northeast by the ordinary high water mark; bounded on the south by the westerly extension of the south line of Section 9 T5S, R1E, HB&M; bounded on the southwest by the ordinary low water mark; bounded on the north by the westerly extension of the north line of Lot 3, Section 13, T2S, R3W, HB&M.

PARCEL 2

A strip of tideland of variable width, in the Pacific Ocean, Humboldt and Mendocino Counties, California; bounded on the northeast by the ordinary high water mark; bounded on the south by the westerly extension of the south line of Section 4, T24N, R19W, MDM; bounded on the southwest by the ordinary low water mark; bounded on the north by the westerly extension of the north line of Section 23, T5S, R1E, HB&M.

PARCEL 3

All that portion of the State owned bed of the Mattole River and the Mattole River Estuary in Humboldt County, California, situated within fractional Sections 12 and 13, T2S, R3W, HB&M and Section 18, T2S, R2W, HB&M.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM any portion lying landward of the ordinary high water marks of said Mattole River and Mattole River Estuary.

END DESCRIPTION

Prepared January 2000 by CSLC boundary staff.

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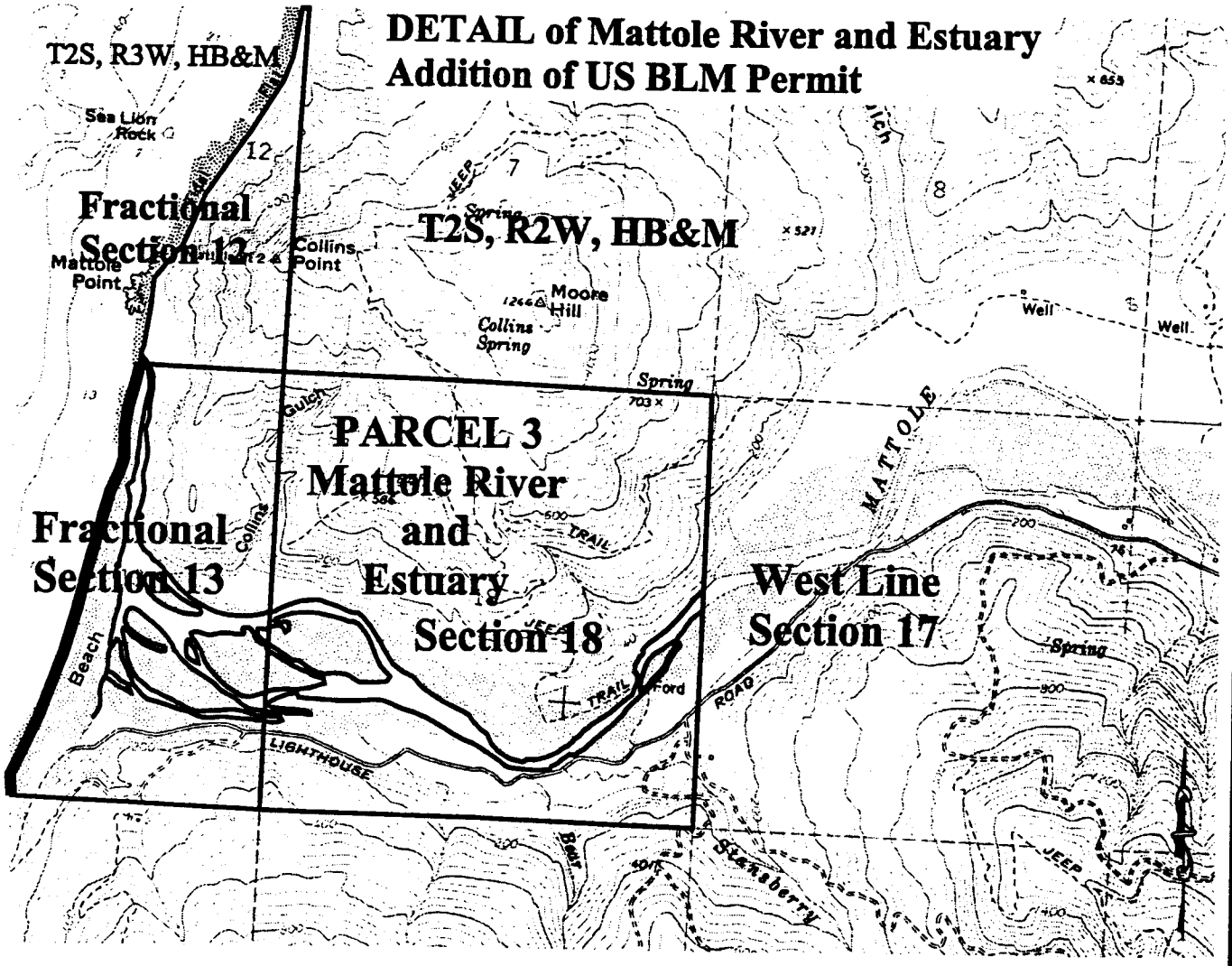

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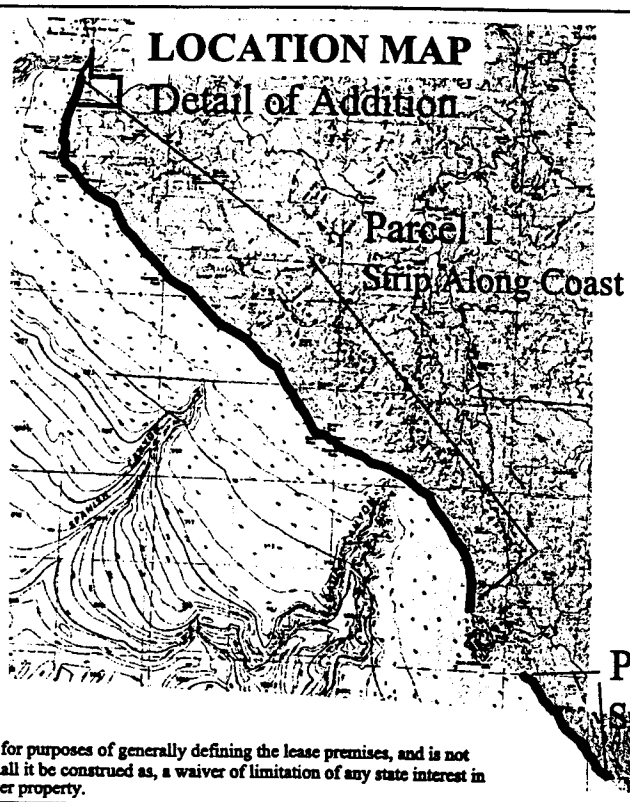

EXHIBIT B

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Humboldt & Mendocino Counties

This Exhibit is solely for purposes of generally defining the lease premises, and is not intended to be, nor shall it be construed as, a waiver of limitation of any state interest in the subject or any other property.

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