MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. C02 was approved as Minute Item No. 02 by the California State Lands Commission by a vote of 3 to 0 at its 09-09-03 meeting.

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DREDGING LEASE

APPLICANT:

City of Vallejo – Baylink Ferries
Building #477 – Waterfront Avenue
Vallejo, CA 94592 – 2287

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Legislatively granted sovereign lands with minerals reserved to the State; and ungranted sovereign land located in Mare Island Strait at the Vallejo Ferry Terminal, city of Vallejo, Solano County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Dredge a maximum of 20,000 cubic yards of material over one year to maintain a navigable depth. Dredged materials will be disposed of at United States Corps of Engineers designated disposal site SF-9 (Carquinez Strait).

LEASE TERM:

One year, beginning August 20, 2003.

CONSIDERATION:

No royalty will be charged; $0.25 per cubic yard will be charged for any material used for private benefit or commercial sale purposes.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. The dredging of the Vallejo Ferry Terminal is urgent, as it has high sediment levels that are very close to restricting navigation of the Bay Link Ferries. The ferry service provides high-speed transportation for commuters between Vallejo and San Francisco's Pier 39 and Ferry Building. The dredging of 20,000 cubic yards of material is expected to be complete by October 15, 2003, the end of the current environmental work window.

2. 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 4, Minor Alterations to Land; Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15304 (g).

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

3. 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.

APPROVALS OBTAINED:

City of Vallejo, Regional Water Quality Control Board

FURTHER APPROVALS REQUIRED:

San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, United States Corps of Engineers

EXHIBITS:

A. Location Map
B. Site Map

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

CEQA FINDING:

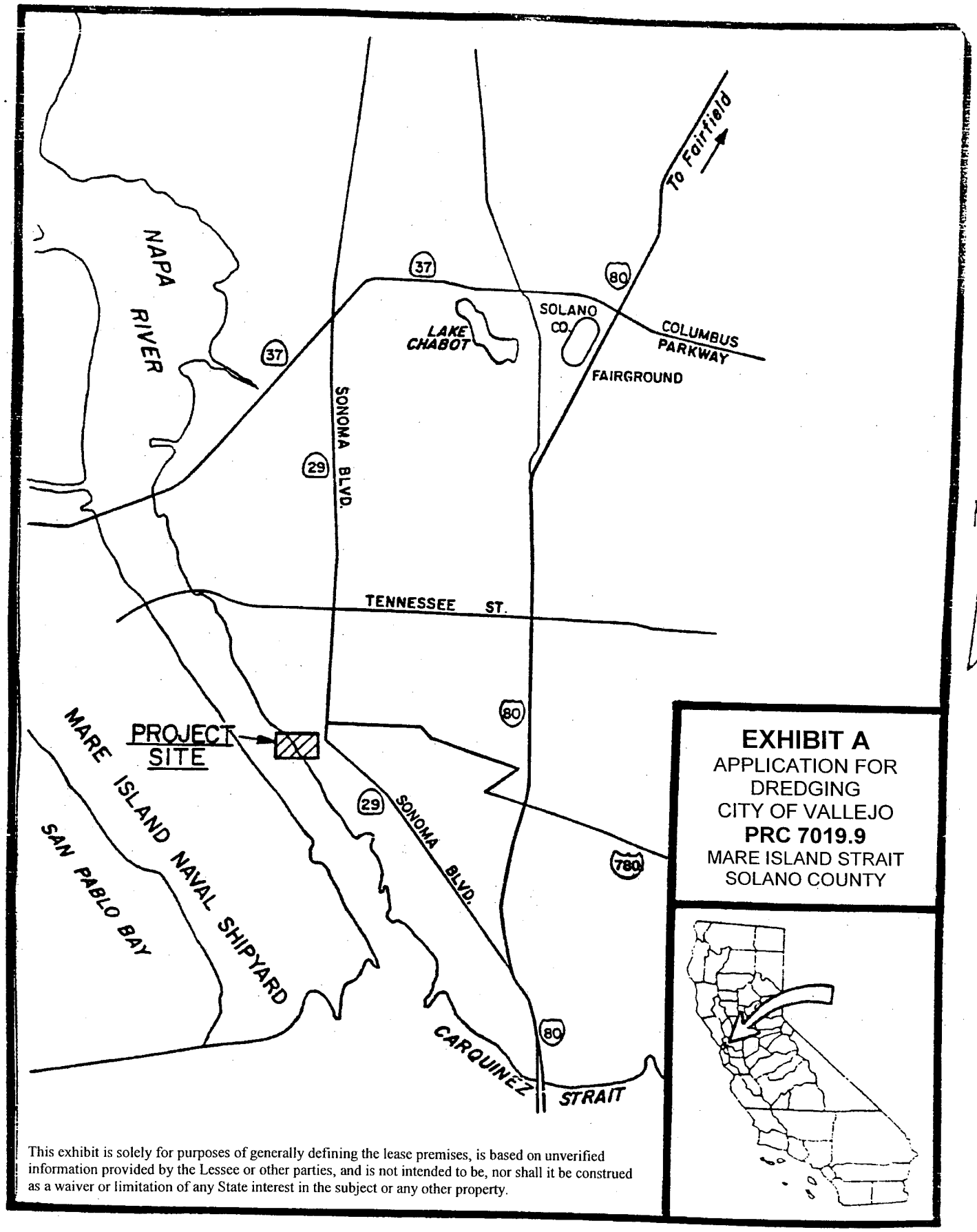
FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND; TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15304 (g).

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 ISSUANCE OF A DREDGING LEASE TO BAYLINK FERRIES – CITY OF VALLEJO, BEGINNING AUGUST 20, 2003, AND EXTENDING THROUGH AUGUST 19, 2004, FOR DREDGING A MAXIMUM OF 20,000 CUBIC YARDS OF MATERIAL FROM THE MARE ISLAND STRAIT AS SHOWN ON EXHIBITS A AND B ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF. DREDGED MATERIALS WILL BE DISPOSED OF AT THE U.S ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS DESIGNATED DISPOSAL SITE SF-9 (CARQUINEZ STRAIT). SUCH PERMITTED ACTIVITY IS CONTINGENT UPON APPLICANT'S COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE PERMITS, RECOMMENDATIONS, OR LIMITATIONS ISSUED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. NO ROYALTY SHALL BE CHARGED, AS THE PROJECT WILL RESULT IN A PUBLIC BENEFIT; $0.25 PER CUBIC YARD SHALL BE CHARGED FOR ANY MATERIAL USED FOR PRIVATE BENEFIT OR FOR COMMERCIAL SALE PURPOSES.



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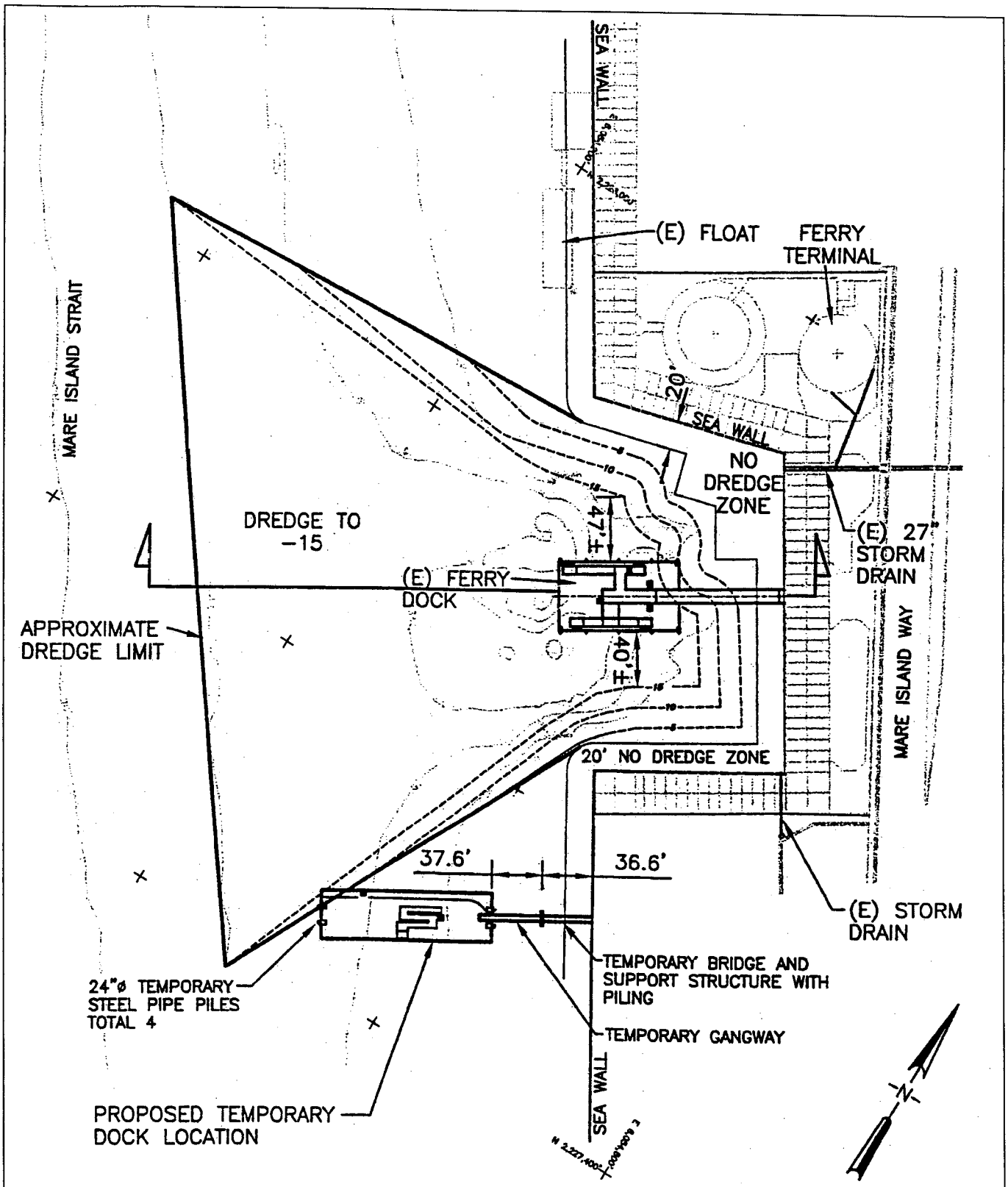

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EXHIBIT B—Site Map
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