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AMENDMENT OF DREDGING LEASE

LESSEE:

Alameda Reuse and Development Authority 950 West Mall Square, 2nd Floor Alameda, California 94501

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Legislatively granted sovereign lands, with minerals reserved to the State, located in the Alameda Point Channel, county of San Francisco.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Dredge a maximum of 22,000 cubic yards of material over ten years to maintain a navigable depth. Dredged material will be disposed at United States Army Corps of Engineers' designated disposal site SF-11 (Alcatraz). Dredged material may not be sold.

LEASE TERM:

Ten years, beginning June 20, 2005.

CONSIDERATION:

No royalty will be charged as the Project will result in a public benefit. The dredged material will not be sold.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Amend the lease to increase the dredging volume to a maximum of 157,571 cubic yards over the ten-year lease term. All other terms and conditions of the lease shall remain in effect without amendment.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. The Lessee's dredging of 157,571 cubic yards of material from granted lands, minerals reserved, is a portion of a larger dredging project to remove 1,869,633 cubic yards of material from lands within the Alameda Point Channel. The remaining material to be removed is not on lands under the jurisdiction of the Commission.

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- 2. On June 20, 2005, the Commission authorized the issuance of a ten-year Dredging Lease, Lease No. PRC 8614.9, to the Alameda Reuse and Redevelopment Authority to maintenance dredge a maximum of 22,000 cubic yards of material from the lease premises. The lessee is requesting an increase in dredging volume in order to maintain a safe navigation depth for vessels using the lease premises.
- 3. 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.

4. This activity involves lands which have been 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:

United States Army Corps of Engineers San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

EXHIBIT:

A. Location and 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

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PROJECT, CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND; TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15304(g).

FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE USE CLASSIFICATION DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE LAND PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCE CODE SECTIONS 6370, ET SEQ.

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE THE AMENDMENT OF LEASE NO. PRC 8614.9 TO INCREASE THE VOLUME DREDGED TO A MAXIMUM OF 157,571 CUBIC YARDS FOR MAINTENANCE DREDGING AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF. SUCH PERMITTED ACTIVITY IS CONTINGENT UPON LESSEE'S COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE PERMITS, RECOMMENDATIONS, OR LIMITATIONS ISSUED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LEASE WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT WITHOUT AMENDMENT.