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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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File Ref: CSU-Northridge Research

Title: Request for a Letter of Non-Objection to Enter State Sovereign Land to Conduct a Master's Research Project through California State University, Northridge, in Various Locations in Los Angeles and Orange Counties

Location: State Sovereign land in the Pacific Ocean near the cities of Malibu, Corona del Mar, Long Beach, Newport, and San Pedro, in Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

Description: Authorize approval to enter State sovereign land to conduct a Master's Research Project, through California State University, Northridge (CSUN), to install data collection instruments and collect specimens in tide pools, at several locations near the cities of Malibu, Corona del Mar, Long Beach, Newport Beach, and San Pedro. The purpose of the Project is to study the impacts of foundation species of California mussels and macroalgae on species interaction, biogeochemistry, and ecosystem function.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Jennifer Fields, California State University, Northridge

Exempt Status:

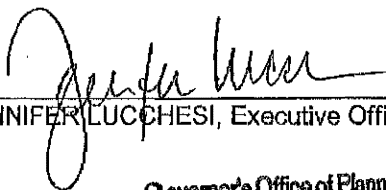
Categorical Exemption:

CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2905, subd. (e)(3) and (5))

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a letter of non-objection for the above-mentioned surveys will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There are no unusual circumstances surrounding the project that will result in significant environmental impacts. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption applies.

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