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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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File Ref: SD 2019-02-01.4

Title: Letter of Non-Objection to Conduct a Rockweed Restoration Study at 34 Sites Located Along the California Coast, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Orange, and San Diego Counties

Location: Sovereign land at 34 sites located along the California coast, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Orange, and San Diego Counties.

Description: Authorize approval for the University of California Santa Barbara to study the decline of foundation species in the rocky intertidal zone and plan to conduct rockweed restoration at 34 sites along the California coast. The study involves removing rockweed plants affixed to small quarter-sized rock chips and placing the rock pieces to recipient sites. Less than 100 samples will be removed from the donor sites. Approximately 15 small tiles (0.0025 m²) will be attached to rocks using small bolts and later collected and examined for recruitment of rockweed and other species.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): University of California Santa Barbara

Exempt Status:

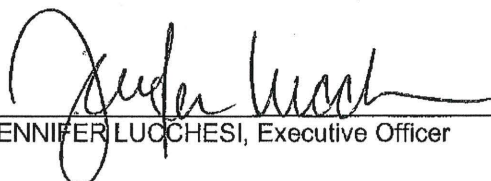
Categorical Exemption:

CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15306)

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a letter of non-objection for the above-mentioned activity(ies) 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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