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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref: Lease 2836; A3694

Item: 63

Title: General Lease - Public Agency Use and Dredging - Lease 2836

Location: Sovereign land in the Santa Cruz Harbor, in Monterey Bay, near Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County.

Description: Authorize issuance of a General Lease – Public Agency Use and Dredging beginning February 22, 2023, for a term of 10 years, for the use and maintenance of two existing jetties, a channel entrance, and a buried dredge disposal pipeline; and maintenance dredging of up 2,560,000 cubic yards of material over a 10-year period from the Santa Cruz Harbor in Monterey Bay, near Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Santa Cruz Port District

Exempt Status:

[\forall] Categorical Exemptions:

CLASS 1, EXISTING FACILITIES (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15301)
CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15304)

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a 10-year General Lease – Public Agency Use and Dredging for the above-mentioned activity will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption(s) apply(ies).

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