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# RETROCESSION OF JURISDICTION AT SALINAS RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTEREY COUNTY

### PARTY:

United States Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service 911 N.E. 11th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97232-4181

### BACKGROUND:

The United States has exclusive legislative jurisdiction at Salinas River National Wildlife Refuge. It has requested that the State accept a retrocession of such jurisdiction over the Refuge. Government Code Section 113 authorizes the Commission to accept the retrocession after a public hearing has been held to determine if the retrocession is in the State's best interest. The Government Code also requires the United States to pay costs associated with the hearing.

This Calendar Item requests Commission authority to conduct the public hearing and to enter into a contract for payment of costs.

## AB 884:

N/A.

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## OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA because the activity is not a "project" as defined by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Authority: P.R.C. 21065 and 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15378.

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#### EXHIBITS:

A. Land Description and Location Map

## IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C. 21065 AND 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15378.
- 2. AUTHORIZE STAFF TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE RETROCESSION IS IN THE STATE'S BEST INTEREST.
- 3. AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT UNDER WHICH THE UNITED STATES WILL PAY COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE HEARING.

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