MINUTE ITEM This Calendar Item No. (.52)was approved as Minute Item No. (.52) by the State Lands Commission by a vote of (.3)to (.62) at its (.02) (12) (97) meeting.

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02/12/97 PRC⁵⁹³⁹ WP 5939.9 J. Smith

DREDGING LEASE

LESSEE:

County of Fresno Public Works and Development Services Department 2220 Tulare Street, Sixth Floor Fresno, California 93721

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Sovereign lands in the San Joaquin River, near Mendota, Fresno County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Dredge a maximum of 20,000 cubic yards of material annually for road maintenance projects.

LEASE TERM:

Five years, beginning March 1, 1997.

CONSIDERATION:

No royalty will be charged as the project will result in a public benefit; \$0.25 per cubic yard will be charged for any material used for private benefit or commercial sale purposes.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. 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 under the general rule that the CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The staff believes, based on the information available to it, that there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Authority: Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15061 (b) (3).

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2. This activity involves lands 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:

California Department of Fish and Game.

FURTHER APPROVALS REQUIRED:

United States Army Corps of Engineers; California State Department of Conservation, Office of Mine Reclamation; California State Lands Commission.

EXHIBIT:

A. Location and Site Map

PERMIT STREAMLINING ACT DEADLINE:

February 28, 1997

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 BECAUSE THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY THAT THE ACTIVITY MAY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. (TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 (b) (3)).

SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:

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

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO THE COUNTY OF FRESNO, PUBLIC WORKS AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF A

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DREDGING LEASE, EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 1997; FOR DREDGING A MAXIMUM OF 20,000 CUBIC YARDS OF MATERIAL ANNUALLY TO BE USED FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE PROJECTS; ON THE LAND DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF. NO ROYALTY SHALL BE CHARGED AS THE PROJECT WILL RESULT IN A PUBLIC BENEFIT; \$0.25 PER CUBIC YARD SHALL BE CHARGED FOR ANY MATERIAL USED FOR PRIVATE BENEFIT OR COMMERCIAL SALE PURPOSES. SUCH PERMITTED ACTIVITY IS CONTINGENT UPON APPLICANTS COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE PERMITS, RECOMMENDATIONS, OR LIMITATIONS ISSUED ISSUED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

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