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CONSIDER THE BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ORANGE COUNTY TERRITORIES NEAR THE LOS COYOTES FLOOD CONTROL CHANNEL INVOLVING CERTAIN PARCELS OF SOVEREIGN LANDS IN SEAL BEACH, LONG BEACH AND LOS ALAMITOS, LOS ANGELES AND ORANGE COUNTIES

APPLICANT:

Orange County LAFCO
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BACKGROUND:

Staff of the California State Lands Commission has received a request from the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of Orange County to review and approve the boundary adjustment along the Coyote Creek Flood Channel, which involves a collaborative effort between Los Angeles and Orange Counties and the Cities of Long Beach, Seal Beach, and Los Alamitos.

The purpose of the boundary adjustment is to more closely align the border between the two counties with the Coyote Creek Flood Channel to allow for better service delivery and improved public safety. The proposed boundary adjustment involves multiple parcels of sovereign tidelands and one parcel of tidelands granted to the City of Long Beach. These parcels will be detached from the City of Seal Beach and annexed into the City of Long Beach as shown on Exhibit A.

Pursuant to Government Code section 56740(a), the Commission must consent before land under its jurisdiction or within a legislative trust grant can be incorporated. Government Code section 56740(b) - (d) requires the Commission to review and approve or disapprove the proposed boundaries that are located upon tidelands or submerged lands.

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Staff has reviewed the boundaries descriptions and maps for Boundary Adjustment Areas 1, 4, 5 and 7 submitted by the Orange County LAFCO, which includes sovereign and granted lands.
2. Staff has concluded that proposed boundary adjustment will not affect the Commission's jurisdiction or management of sovereign lands, and thus recommends approval of the proposed boundaries.
3. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14 § 15060(c)(3)), staff has determined that this activity is not subject to the provisions of the CEQA because it is not a "project" as defined by the CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21065 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations sections 15060(c)(3) and 15378.

4. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370, et seq., but such activity will not affect those significant lands. Based upon staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the action, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

EXHIBIT:

- A. Site Map

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the commission:

CEQA FINDING:

Find that the activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15060(c)(3) because the activity is not a project as defined by Public Resources Code section 21065 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations section 15378.

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SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:

Find that this activity is consistent with the use classification designated by the Commission for the land pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370 et seq.

AUTHORIZATION:

Approve the proposed boundary adjustment of Los Angeles County and Orange County territories near the Los Coyotes Flood Control Channel pursuant to California Government Code section 56740.



PROPOSED COUNTY BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS

*Orange & Los Angeles Counties
Cities of Long Beach, Los
Alamitos, and Seal Beach*

Exhibit A
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