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Project Title: Sediment and Geotechnical Sampling – First Amendment to Harbor Development Permit No. 23-040(1)

State Clearinghouse No.: 2025061097
Project Location – Specific: Port of Long Beach West Basin; Harbor Planning District 4 – Terminal Island
Project Location – City: Long Beach **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The First Amendment to Level I HDP 23-040 permits Total Terminals International, LLC to perform 10 vibracore sediment sample borings in the northeast corner of the West Basin and 4 geotechnical soil borings in the vicinity of Berth T130 to inform engineering design for the proposed Pier T Marine Terminal Redevelopment Project. Level I HDP 23-040 was originally issued on June 23, 2025 for 15 vibracore sediment sample borings in the northeast corner of the West Basin.

Exempt Status:

☐ Ministerial Exemption [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268];
☐ Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
☐ Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)]
☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number and class: ***Section 15306 (Class 6. Information Collection)***
☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number and type:
☐ Common Sense Exemption (Section 15061(b)(3))
☐ Other:

Reasons why project is exempt: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the project has been reviewed pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15002(k) – General Concepts, the three-step process for determining the appropriate environmental review documents for a project subject to CEQA and Section 15061 – Review for Exemption, the procedures for determining if a project is exempt from CEQA.

Section 15306 Information Collection (Class 6): The Class 6 Categorical Exemption consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The Project involves additional sediment sampling consisting of 10 vibracore sediment borings in the West Basin and four geotechnical soil borings in the vicinity of Berth T130 to inform engineering design for the proposed Pier T Marine Terminal Redevelopment Project which would not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

The Port has determined that none of the exceptions to the exemptions in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15300.2 foreclose the use of Categorical Exemption CEQA Guidelines Section 15306 (Class 6. Information Collection); therefore, the Project is exempt from CEQA and no further environmental review is required.

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☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.