



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref.: A5404
Item: 51

Title: Issuance of a Non-Exclusive Geological Survey Permit

Location: Sovereign land in three predetermined offshore survey areas in Southern California including Oceanside Harbor, Oceanside, San Diego County; offshore Cardiff State Beach, Cardiff, San Diego County; and offshore Mission Beach, San Diego, San Diego County

Description: Authorize issuance of a Non-Exclusive Geological Survey Permit beginning April 7, 2026, for a term of 1 year, for the collection of geological data by vibracore methods.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption

- CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15306)

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a 1-year Non-Exclusive Geological Survey Permit 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 applies.

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