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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref.: Article 4.7  
Item: 55

**Title:** Approval of Proposed Amendments to the California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Division 3, Chapter 1, Article 4.7

**Location:** California's ports in the San Francisco Bay area east of, and including, the Port of Rodeo, extending to the Ports of Stockton and Sacramento

**Description:** Adopt the amendments to sections 2292 and 2293 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Division 3, Chapter 1, Article 4.7 to address discharge of ballast water for vessels operating in California waters.

**Name of Approving Public Agency:** California State Lands Commission

**Name of Proponent (Person or Agency):** California State Lands Commission

**Exempt Status:** Categorical Exemption

- CLASS 8, ACTIONS BY REGULATORY AGENCIES FOR PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15308)

### Reasons for exemption:

Adoption of the proposed regulatory amendments will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and to 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, and the activity does not include construction or relaxation of environmental standards. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption applies.

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