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TO: Coastal Commissioners and Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: **CITY OF CRESCENT CITY LCP  
AMENDMENT NO. CRC-MAJ-2-03 (LCP Update)**  
For the Commission meeting of October 7, 2009

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Amendment Description:

On July 18, 2003, the Commission received an LCP amendment transmitted by the City of Crescent City. As submitted, Crescent City LCP Amendment No. CRC-MAJ-1-03 (LCP Update) would comprehensively update, modify, and reformat both the LCP's Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan which were originally certified in 1983.

Coastal Act Section 30510 requires proposed LCP amendment submittals to contain materials sufficient for a thorough and complete review. Once that requirement is satisfied and an amendment is deemed submitted (or "filed"), the Coastal Act requires the Commission to act on Implementation Plan (IP) amendments within 60 days, and on Land Use Plan (LUP) amendments and combined LUP/IP amendments within 90 days (Coastal Act Sections 30510, 30512, 30513, and 30514).

The LCP amendment application was deemed submitted as of July 22, 2009. This proposed LCP amendment would amend both the Land Use Plan and the Implementation Plan and thus, the 90-day requirement applies. The 90<sup>th</sup> day after the date this LCP Amendment Application was deemed submitted is October 20, 2009. Therefore, unless the Commission extends the deadline, the LCP Amendment would need to be acted upon during the Commission's October 7-9, 2009 hearings, the last meeting before October 20, 2009.

The extensive nature of the subject LCP amendment and the shortage of staff in the North Coast District Office have lengthened the time needed for the staff review of the

amendment. Thus, a time extension is necessary to allow staff to conduct further research and analysis of the conformance of the Land Use Plan and Implementation Program amendments with the provisions of the Coastal Act and the LUP, respectively, and prepare an appropriate staff recommendation to the Commission.

Coastal Act Section 30517 states that the Commission may extend the deadline for Commission action for one year.

Motion, Recommendation, and Resolution

Staff recommends that the Commission vote to extend the deadline for Commission action for one year. The appropriate motion and resolution are as follows:

MOTION:

I move that the Commission extend the time limit to act on Crescent City Local Coastal Program Amendment No. CRC-MAJ-1-03 for a period of one year.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT EXTENSION:

Staff recommends a YES vote. Passage of this motion will result in a one year extension of the period in which the Commission must act on the proposal, changing the deadline for Commission action from October 20, 2009 to October 20, 2010. An affirmative vote of a majority of the Commissioners present is needed to pass the motion.

RESOLUTION:

The Commission hereby extends the time limit to act on Crescent City Local Coastal Program Amendment No. CRC-MAJ-1-03 for a period of one year to October 20, 2010.