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**Th13****NORTH COAST DISTRICT****DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

FOR THE

OCTOBER 2013 MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION

TO: Commissioners and Interested Parties

**FROM: Alison Dettmer
 North Coast District Deputy Director**

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APPLICANT	PROJECT	LOCATION
1-13-0561-W Crescent City Harbor District	Install a 336-square-foot interim enclosed fish cleaning station to alleviate the current overcrowding at another fish cleaning station in the Harbor.	100 feet northwest of the intersection of Anchor Way and Starfish Way, Crescent City Harbor, Del Norte County



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**NOTICE OF COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WAIVER**

DATE: October 8, 2013

TO: Crescent City Harbor District
Attn: Richard Young, CEO/Harbormaster

FROM: Charles Lester, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Waiver of Coastal Development Permit Requirement:
Waiver De Minimis Number 1-13-0561-W

Based on project plans and information submitted by the applicant(s) named below regarding the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit, pursuant to Title 14, Section 13238 of the California Code of Regulations.

APPLICANT: Richard Young, Crescent City Harbor District

LOCATION: 100 feet northwest of the intersection of Anchor Way and Starfish Way, Crescent City Harbor (Del Norte County)

DESCRIPTION: The proposed project is a 336 sq. ft. interim enclosed fish cleaning station to alleviate the current overcrowding at another fish cleaning station in the Harbor. The footprint of the cleaning station will re-purpose the site of an old 48 sq. ft. RV sewage dump station, which has not been used for 20 years. The station will be enclosed by a roof and a chain-link fence around the perimeter of the 336 sq. ft. area. The new station will only be used when the other fish cleaning station located closer to the recreational boat launch ramp is overcrowded. The station will be an interim cleaning site until a site and funding can be obtained for a third enclosed formal fish cleaning station.

RATIONALE: In 2012, the District closed two open-air fish cleaning stations due to conflicts between users and brown Pelicans in the area, leaving a single enclosed (roofed) station open for use. The pelicans would descend on the open-air station tables to eat fish. The proposed interim enclosed fish cleaning station is necessary to alleviate over crowding at the single remaining enclosed cleaning station. The proposed 336 sq. ft. fish cleaning station will not impact access along Anchor Way and ample parking spaces exist to accommodate anticipated users of this interim station. The existing site has sewage service and water service available, which will facilitate cleaning the fish and appropriate disposal of fish waste. The foundational slab will have a two to four inch lip or berm to drain water to the sewage drain, rather than running off the site.

According to the biological report by Winzler and Kelly, there is no sensitive habitat within 100 feet of the project site. Additionally, the Applicant proposes best management practices during construction to minimize potential disturbance to the shoreline (approximately 125 feet away) and sensitive habitat (approximately 200 feet away) during construction. The use of this site will not impact the District's ability to accommodate RV users. There are two other RV dump sites that adequately accommodate users and the subject site has not been used for 20 years. The Applicant has received all necessary approvals for the proposed project. The District and the County of Del Norte determined the project is categorically exempt from CEQA. For all of the above reasons, the proposed project is consistent with Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act.

IMPORTANT: This waiver is not valid unless the site has been posted AND until the waiver has been reported to the Coastal Commission. This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission at the meeting of Thursday, October 10, 2013, in Oceanside. If four Commissioners object to this waiver, a coastal development permit will be required.

Persons wishing to object to or having questions regarding the issuance of a coastal permit waiver for this project should contact the Commission office at the above address or phone number prior to the Commission meeting date.

Sincerely,
CHARLES LESTER
Executive Director

By: Nicholas Dreher
Coastal Planner



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