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DATE:

August 20, 1996

TO:

COASTAL COMMISSIONERS AND INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM:

MARK DELAPLAINE, FEDERAL CONSISTENCY SUPERVISOR

RE:

NEGATIVE DETERMINATIONS ISSUED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR [Note: Executive Director decision letters are attached.]

PROJECT #:

ND-034-96

APPLICANT:

**IBWC** 

LOCATION:

Coral Gate, San Diego

PROJECT:

Disposal of excavation material from the constuction of the

South Bay Ocean Outfall

**ACTION:** 

Concur

**ACTION DATE:** 

8/8/96

PROJECT #:

ND-067-96

APPLICANT:

Navy

LOCATION:

Naval Post-Graduate School, Monterey

PROJECT:

Construction of pre-engineered building

ACTION:

Concur

**ACTION DATE:** 

7/24/96

PROJECT #:

ND-077-96

APPLICANT:

**IBWC** 

LOCATION:

Goat Canyon, Tijuana River Valley

PROJECT:

Construction of pumping plant, sewage line, and

dechlorination facility

ACTION:

Concur

**ACTION DATE:** 

8/7/96

PROJECT #: NE-080-96

APPLICANT: California State University Monterey Bay Campus

LOCATION: Former Fort Ord

PROJECT: Renovation of existing facilities necessary to develop Cal

State campus

ACTION: No effect ACTION DATE: 7/24/96

PROJECT #: ND-081-96

APPLICANT: National Park Service

LOCATION: Administrative headquarters in Ventura Harbor

PROJECT: Replace existing deteriorated park vessel docking facilities

ACTION: Concur ACTION DATE: 7/26/96

PROJECT #: NE-082-96

APPLICANT: Caltrans

LOCATION: Coronado Bridge, San Diego Bay, Coronado, San Diego

County

PROJECT: Soil borings in bay for seismic work

ACTION: No effect ACTION DATE: 7/26/96

PROJECT #: ND-086-96

APPLICANT: Marine Corps
LOCATION: Camp Pendelton Marine Corp

LOCATION: Camp Pendelton Marine Corps Base

PROJECT: Erosion repair, Basilone Rd., San Onofre Creek

ACTION: Concur ACTION DATE: 8/19/96

PROJECT #: ND-087-96

APPLICANT: Corps of Engineers

LOCATION: Los Angeles River, south of Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, Los

Angeles Co.

PROJECT: Modification to previously concurred with flood control

project

ACTION: Concur ACTION DATE: 8/7/96

PROJECT #: ND-092-96

APPLICANT: Navy

LOCATION: Naval Construction Batallion Center, Port Hueneme PROJECT:

Construct one concrete slab with equipment pads and

secondary containment

Concur ACTION: 8/12/96 **ACTION DATE:** 

PROJECT #: ND-093-96 APPLICANT: Marine Corps

Camp Pendelton Marine Corps Base LOCATION:

Construction of two stream crossings, across the Santa PROJECT:

Margarita River

Concur **ACTION: ACTION DATE:** 8/12/96

ND-094-96 PROJECT #: APPLICANT: Marine Corps

LOCATION: Camp Pendelton Marine Corps Base

PROJECT: Installation of 5 groundwater wells, lower Santa Margarita

River

**ACTION:** Concur ACTION DATE: 8/12/96

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August 8, 1996

Dion McMicheaux Project Manager U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission 2225 Dairy Mart Road San Diego, CA 92173

Subject: Negative Determination ND-34-96 (Disposal site for tunnel spoils from South Bay Ocean Outfall, International Wastewater Treatment Plant, San Diego).

#### Dear Mr. McMicheaux:

The Commission staff has reviewed your negative determination for designating a new disposal site for tunnel spoils generated from construction of the South Bay Ocean Outfall (SBOO), a component of the International Wastewater Treatment Plant (IWTP) now under construction in the Tijuana River Valley, San Diego County. The IWTP project has been the subject of two previous consistency determinations (CD-2-94 and CD-31-95) and two negative determinations (ND-1-95 and ND-77-96). The Commission concurred with those submittals and found that the IWTP and subsequent modifications to the plant were consistent with the California Coastal Management Program.

The subject negative determination is necessary due to a proposed change in the disposal location for SBOO tunnel spoils from an upland site outside the coastal zone to a site within the coastal zone. The IBWC now proposes to dispose approximately 130,000 cubic yards of tunnel spoils within an area previously disturbed by grading at the Coral Gate subdivision site, located south of the I-5 freeway, east of Dairy Mart Road, and northeast of the Tijuana River and the IWTP site. The site is approved for residential development by the City of San Diego and the spoils are sought by the project developer in order to raise the grade of the site. The thickness of the fill will range from approximately three to ten feet and the majority of the fill will be placed on that part of the site farthest from the Tijuana River. The distance to groundwater is approximately 12 to 14 feet below existing grade; this distance will be increased to 15 to 24 feet after placement of the imported tunnel spoils.

Use of the proposed site for spoils disposal holds the potential to adversely affect sensitive species and groundwater within the coastal zone. The proposed disposal site was surveyed in January 1996 to determine habitat suitability for the federally threatened Pacific pocket mouse. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service determined that the majority of the site was unsuitable

for the Pacific pocket mouse due to the highly disturbed nature of the site. In order to ensure that upland between disturbed and undisturbed areas (potential pocket mouse habitat) are avoided, the IBWC has committed to placing the tunnel spoils entirely within the existing disturbed area.

Due to concerns expressed by the Tia Juana Valley County Water District over the high salt content of the tunnel spoils and the potential for leaching into valley groundwater supplies, representative samples of the spoils were obtained and analyzed to determine the amount of total dissolved solids (TDS) that might leach into the groundwater. The results were compared to results of identical tests performed on a representative sample of on-site material and to the "Water Quality Control Plan for San Diego Basin." Of the samples tested, none had a TDS value in excess of the Basin Plan objectives, and therefore spoils placement at the site will not adversely affect groundwater supplies.

In addition, on June 13, 1996, the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board adopted Resolution No. 96-47, "A Resolution Conditionally Waiving Adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements for the Discharge of Dredge Spoils Resulting from the Construction of the South Bay Ocean Outfall at the Coral Gate Subdivision in the Tia Juana River Valley, County of San Diego." This resolution authorizes disposal of the tunnel spoils at the Coral Gate site and includes the following seven conditions to address protection of groundwater resources:

- 1. The tunnel "muck" shall be temporarily stockpiled to allow all free liquid to drain from the spoils.
- 2. The tunnel "muck" shall be placed at the Coral Gate Subdivision site in accordance with the report of waste discharge.
- 3. The tunnel "muck" shall be placed at least ten feet above the highest anticipated level of ground water at the site.
- 4. At least sixty percent of the tunnel "muck" shall be placed under relatively impermeable structures, such as roadways and buildings.
- 5. A minimum cover of three feet of clean fill shall be placed above the tunnel "muck" exposed to infiltration and compacted to 90% relative maximum compaction. This cover is required only for "muck" which is not eventually going to be covered pursuant to Condition No. 4.
- 6. Prior to placement of the tunnel "muck" at the Coral Gate site, the discharger shall establish a monitoring and reporting program to samle and analyze the tunnel "muck" as it is being excavated to ensure that the material does not pose a threat to water quality. Upon approval of the program by the Regional Board's Executive Officer, placement of spoils at the site may commence.
- 7. The tunnel "muck" shall not contain leachable quantities of constituents that exceed the water quality objectives for the Tijuana Hydrologic Unit as specified in the Basin Plan.

In conclusion, placement at the Coral Gate site of tunnel spoils generated from construction of the IWTP's South Bay Ocean Outfall will not significantly

affect the coastal zone. The Commission has previously reviewed the need for and the design and components of the IWTP project and found it consistent with the California Coastal Management Program. Potential impacts on sensitive habitat, threatened species, and groundwater supplies from the proposed placement of tunnel spoils will not be significant, and appropriate mitigation and monitoring measures to protect coastal resources are incorporated into the project. We therefore concur with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Larry Simon of the Commission staff at (415) 904-5288 should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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PETER M. DOUGLAS Executive Director

cc: San Diego Coast Area Office
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July 24, 1996

S.D. Schmidt Naval Post Graduate School Public Works Monterey, CA 93943-5000

Attn: Allyn McGuire

RE: ND-067-96, Negative Determination for the construction of pre-engineered building, Naval Post-Graduate School, Monterey.

### Dear Lieutenant Schmidt:

The Coastal Commission has received and reviewed the above-referenced negative determination. The proposed project includes construction of a pre-engineered building at the Naval Post-Graduate School, Monterey. The Navy proposes to construct the storage facility within the site of the former waste water treatment facility. Although that site is within a dune complex adjacent to the beach, the construction of the waste water treatment facility resulted in the destruction of the area's habitat value. Therefore, the project will not affect dune resources. Additionally, the project is not visible from the beach because of the topography of the area. Finally, the project will not affect access to the shoreline, because there is no public access through or onto the old waste water treatment facility site.

In conclusion, the Coastal Commission staff **agrees** that the proposed project will not adversely affect coastal zone resources. We, therefore, **concur** with the negative determination made pursuant to 15 C.F.R. Section 930.35(d). If you have any questions, please contact James R. Raives of the Coastal Commission staff at (415) 904-5292.

PETER M. DOUGL

**Executive Director** 

cc: Central Coast Area Office

**OCRM** 

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August 7, 1996

Dion McMicheaux Project Manager U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission 2225 Dairy Mart Road San Diego, CA 92173

Subject: Negative Determination ND-77-96 (Goat Canyon Pumping Plant and Dechlorination Facility, International Wastewater Treatment Plant, San Diego).

Dear Mr. McMicheaux:

The Commission staff has reviewed your negative determination for construction of the International Wastewater Treatment Plant's (IWTP) Goat Canyon pumping plant, sewage conveyance pipeline, and dechlorination facility at a new site in the Tijuana River Valley, San Diego County. The under-construction IMTP has been the subject of two previous consistency determinations (CD-2-94 and CD-31-95) and one negative determination (ND-1-95). The Commission concurred with those submittals and found that the IMTP and subsequent modifications to the plant were consistent with the California Coastal Management Program. The previously-approved pumping plant will pump raw sewage collected in Goat Canyon at the international border east through the conveyance pipeline to the IWTP for treatment. The dechlorination facility will allow for dechlorination of treated, chlorinated wastewater effluent from the IWTP prior to discharge into the under-construction South Bay Ocean Outfall for disposal into the Pacific Ocean. The subject negative determination is necessary due to the proposed relocation of the pumping plant and dechlorination facility from a site at the mouth of Goat Canyon because of potential land use conflicts and view and archeological impacts.

The proposed site is located south of Monument Road, just east of the mouth of Goat Canyon and near the terminus of the completed South Bay Land Outfall (a segment of the IWTP conveyance system). The facility would be located in a small canyon formed by previous mining of the escarpment east of Goat Canyon for mineral resources. The 0.76-acre site would be accessed via a 15-foot-wide and 170-foot-long decomposed granite access road from Monument Road. The building pad would be elevated approximately four feet above existing grade to provide protection against in-canyon stormwater flows. The dechlorination facility consists of a 36-foot by 44-foot building and a subterranean basement holding two 8,500-gallon tanks for storage of liquid sodium bisulfite. The subterranean chamber is also designed to serve as a backup protective

structure capable of holding the entire 17,000 gallons of material in the event the tanks are damaged or leak. Materials excavated for the basement would be used as fill to raise the facility's concrete pad four feet above grade.

Relocation of the pumping plant to the new site also requires realignment of the final segment of the Goat Canyon sewage conveyance pipeline. Originally the pipeline was proposed to run through the entire length of Goat Canyon along existing dirt roads from the collector at the international border to the proposed pump station site at the mouth of Goat Canyon. The IBMC now proposes to reroute the pipeline to the north out of Goat Canyon (just prior to the mouth of the canyon) through the berm which separates Goat Canyon from the small excavated canyon proposed as the site of the pumping plant and dechlorination facility. This new route requires the excavation of a 40-foot wide by 160-foot long portion of the berm in order to trench the pipeline and construct a 10-foot wide decomposed granite maintenance road over this segment of the pipeline alignment.

Development of the proposed site holds the potential to affect threatened and endangered species, land use, and views. Approximately 0.86 acres of permanent impacts and 0.55 acres of temporary impacts would occur to coastal sage scrub and mulefat scrub habitat as a result of project construction. Temporary impact areas will be hydroseeded with native coastal sage scrub after construction is completed. While the endangered Pacific pocket mouse has the potential to be present within the project area, the species was not encountered during the April 1996 survey of the area and no impacts to this species are expected as a result of project construction and operation. Direct impacts to the endangered least Bell's vireo are not expected because the project site does not contain suitable habitat for this species. Indirect noise impacts will not affect the species as the majority of construction is anticipated to occur outside the vireo breeding season (March 15-September 25). However, when construction overlaps the breeding season, the contractor is required to hold construction noise under 60 dBA at the edge of suitable vireo habitat. Operation and maintenance of the facility will not generate noise levels that would affect the vireo.

The project site is located directly adjacent to threatened coastal California gnatcatcher habitat found on the south-facing slope of the Goat Canyon escarpment. Direct construction and operation impacts to the gnatcatcher are not expected. Although indirect impacts from construction noise are possible, these impacts would be eliminated when construction occurs outside the gnatcatcher breeding season (February I-July 31). When construction extends into this season, the contractor is required to hold construction noise under 60 dBA at the edge of suitable gnatcatcher habitat. With these measures, no indirect impacts to gnatcatchers are expected during construction; likewise, indirect noise impacts on the gnatcatcher from facility operations are not expected.

The proposed facility site is currently in private ownership and will be purchased in fee by the U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission. The site is located within the boundary of the Tijuana River National Estuarine Reserve, in an area identified as an ecological buffer zone (a boundary area between sensitive habitats and non-compatible land use) in the Tijuana River

National Estuarine Sanctuary Management Plan (Plan). The original site proposed for the facility was located in an area designated by the Plan for native habitat. Placement of the facility in the buffer zone creates a potentially adverse land use impact, but one not considered significant given the previous approvals by numerous public agencies of the IWTP project (including the pumping plant and dechlorination facility) in the Tijuana River Valley and the absence of a feasible less environmentally damaging alternative site for the facility. In addition, with the purchase by the IBWC of the proposed site, approximately six acres of land will be maintained in perpetuity as open space around the facility site.

Construction of the pumping plant and dechlorination facility could generate adverse impacts on public views. The facility will be visible from Monument Road and may be visible from some locations north of Monument Road. This impact is not considered significant as the view from Monument Road will be brief, the facility will receive some shielding from canyon walls, and graded areas will be hydroseeded with native plant material to promote revegetation. Screening of the site using berms and vegetation to further reduce visual impacts is not possible at this site due to federal facilities security provisions (the site is remote from the IMTP site and will be visited by IMTP personnel only once per day).

In conclusion, construction of the IWTP Goat Canyon pumping plant and dechlorination facility at the proposed project site east of the mouth of Goat Canyon will not significantly affect the coastal zone. The Commission has previously reviewed the need for and the design and components of the IWTP project and found it consistent with the California Coastal Management Program. Potential impacts on threatened and endangered species, land use, and public views from the proposed modifications to the previously-concurred with project will not be significant and appropriate mitigation measures to protect coastal resources are incorporated into the project. We therefore concur with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Larry Simon of the Commission staff at (415) 904-5288 should you have any questions regarding this matter.

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PETER M. DOUGLAS
Executive Director

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July 22, 1995

David Salazar
Director, Facilities Planning and Development
California State University, Monterey Bay
Office of Facilities
100 Campus Center
Seaside. CA 93955-8001

Re: NE-80-96 California State University, Monterey Bay Campus, Phase III

Dear Mr. Salazar:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced "No Effects" letter for "Phase III" of the California State University's plan for a Monterey Bay Campus on land transferred by the Army at former Fort Ord in northern Monterey County. This project is one component of a larger disposal/reuse plan analyzed in the Army's Final Environmental Impact Statement/Report (FEIS/R), and in the Commission's review of the Army's consistency determination (CD-16-94), for the Disposal and Reuse of Fort Ord.

Since the Commission concurred with that consistency determination, we concurred with your "No Effects" letters for "Phase I" (NE-3-95) and "Phase II" (NE-65-95) campus improvements. These improvements consisted of building renovations modifying existing Army structures for classrooms and residences for the new campus. In reviewing Phase I/II improvements, we reiterated that improvements we would be most likely to have concerns over would be activities raising issues with respect to habitat protection, infrastructure planning (especially traffic and water supply), and public views. Phase III improvements involve renovating existing buildings, and, like Phases I/II, do not raise any habitat, infrastructure capacity or visual issues.

For these reasons, we agree with the University that, as was the case for Phases I and II, Phase III activities can be authorized through the administrative "No Effects" process. We therefore concur with your "No Effects" determination and agree that no further consistency review by the Commission is necessary for this phase of campus planning. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5289 if you have any questions.

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Executive Director

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July 26, 1996

Tim Setnicka National Park Service Channel Islands National Park 1901 Spinnaker Drive Ventura, CA 93001

RE: ND-81-96 Negative Determination, National Park Service Dock Replacement, Ventura Harbor

Dear Mr. Setnicka:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination for the replacement of an existing dock at the National Park Service's Channel Islands National Park headquarters office in Ventura Harbor. The proposal consists of replacement in kind of existing facilities, with only minor design changes and a small increase in boat slip space. The activity would not cause any adverse effects to any coastal zone resources. We therefore concur with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5289 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Far PETER M. DOUGLAS
Executive Director

cc: Ventura Area Office

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Assistant Counsel for Ocean Services

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California Department of Water Resources

Governors Washington D.C. Office

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July 26, 1996

John Rieger, Chief Environmental Stewardship Branch Department of Transportation District 11 P.O. Box 85406 San Diego, CA 92186-5406

"No Effects" Determination NE-82-96, Caltrans

Seismic Survey, San Diego Bay (beneath Coronado Bridge)

Dear Mr. Rieger:

The Coastal Commission has received your "No Effects" letter for seismic survey work, consisting of taking soil borings beneath the Coronado Bridge. The activity would consist of drilling borings within 200 ft. of existing piers, to determine geologic factors in the vicinity of the piers. The work will be a 24 hour/day operation, and will last approximately 3 weeks, commencing July 21, 1996. No eelgrass beds or any other environmentally sensitive habitat will be affected. Coast Guard Notice to Mariners will be posted. You have already received verification from our San Diego Area Office that a coastal development permit is not required for the activity. We agree with your "No Effects" letter and your conclusion that no consistency certification needs to be submitted for this project. If you have questions, please contact Mark Delaplaine, federal consistency supervisor, at (415) 904-5289.

Executive Director

cc: San Diego Area Office

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August 19, 1996

Lupe E. Armas
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Re: ND-86-96 U.S. Marine Corps, Basilone Rd. Erosion Control/Drainage Improvements, San Onofre Creek, Camp Pendleton, San Diego Co.

Dear Mr. Armas:

We received the above-referenced negative determination from the U.S. Marine Corps for erosion control activities and stormwater conveyance improvements between Basilone Rd. and San Onofre Creek in the northern portion of the Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base. The purpose of the project is to repair the slope adjacent to Basilone Road and to improve the stormwater carrying capacity of the project area. Camp Pendleton experienced significant stormwater runoff and flooding problems in San Onofre Creek in 1993 and subsequent years. Existing stormwater conveyance systems are unable to accommodate the volume of water being discharged from upstream areas.

The slope to be repaired is approximately 75 feet high. The repair work includes: (1) removing approximately 4,200 cu. yds. of downhill slope earth materials, to be replaced with cement additive and moisture to render the slope more stable; (2) importing approximately 3,500 cu. yds. of suitable earth material to complete the earthwork grading operations; (3) constructing a temporary access road intersecting Beach Club Road to allow the contractor to transport materials and equipment in and out of the work area; and (4) improving various surface and below ground stormwater conveyance facilities between the intersection of Beach Club Road to the east and the San Onofre Exchange Complex to the west. The estimated construction time is 120 days. Construction will take place between October 15, 1996, and February 15, 1997.

The Marine Corps has coordinated the project with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which has performed a site visit and has confirmed that the project will not adversely affect sensitive wildlife species, including riparian habitat, the California gnatcatcher, the tidewater goby, and the Pacific pocket mouse. The project has been scheduled for the October 15-February 15 period to minimize potential effects on the arroyo southwestern toad, the

gnatcatcher, the southwestern willow flycatcher and the least Bell's vireo and the tidewater goby. The temporary access road has been designed to minimize potential effects on riparian vegetation, and the area disturbed will be returned to its pre-construction condition upon completion of the slope repair work.

The project will not significantly affect scenic views, as the only public views are from I-5, and these inland views already contain nearby areas of fairly concentrated residential development and a mobile home park above and along Basilone Rd. No other coastal zone resources would be affected by the project.

Given the above considerations, we agree with your assessment that the resources of the coastal zone will not be adversely affected by the project. We therefore <u>concur</u> with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5289 if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

(A) PETER M. DOUGLAS
Executive Director

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August 7, 1996

Robert Joe, Chief Planning Division U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles District P.O. Box 2711 Los Angeles, CA 90053-2325

RE: ND-87-96 Negative Determination, Army Corps, Modifications to Previously Concurred with Los Angeles River Flood Control Improvements

Dear Mr. Joe:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination for modifications to the previously-concurred-with consistency determination (CD-74-91) for the Los Angeles County Drainage Area project, which included parapet walls and other flood control improvements on the lower Los Angeles River. Since the time of the Commission's original concurrence minor modifications and refinements have been made to the design of the lower river parapet walls and levees. The revised designs include additional work south of Ocxean Blvd. which was not included in the original project. This work would consist of a parapet wall on the west side of the river, for a 360 ft. long stretch commencing at Ocean Blvd. and traveling south. The height of this wall would range between 1.5 and 3 ft. In addition, additional levee fill would be added to the existing levee on the east bank of the river. We consider these changes to be relatively minor. The revisions do not raise any new issues with respect to coastal zone effects on public views, marine resources or water quality that were not previously considered by the Commission.

We agree with your assessment that the resources of the coastal zone will not be adversely affected by the project as modified. We therefore <u>concur</u> with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5289 if you have guestions.

Sincerely

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Executive Director

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August 12, 1996

LCDR H.A. Bouika
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Port Hueneme, CA 93043-4301

RE: ND-92-96 Negative Determination, Installation of Concrete Pads for Wastewater Treatment System, Naval Construction Battalion Center, Port Hueneme, Ventura County

Dear LCDR Bouika:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination for the Navy's proposal to install three concrete pads to support a bilge oily wastewater treatment system at the Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) in Port Hueneme. The pads would be located within an existing developed area of the NCBC. The project will improve water quality by reducing the potential for oily wastewater to enter the harbor. No scenic public views would be affected, the project site contain no environmentally sensitive habitat, and public access and recreation would not be affected by the project.

We therefore agree with the Navy that the project will not affect coastal resources, and we <u>concur</u> with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5289 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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Re: ND-93-96 U.S. Marine Corps, Road Crossings, DeLuz Rd., Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base, San Diego Co.

Dear Mr. Armas:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination from the U.S. Marine Corps for the construction of two road crossings where DeLuz Rd. crosses the Santa Margarita River and DeLuz Creek, at least ten miles inland of the coastal zone boundary on Camp Pendleton. January 1993 flooding on the Santa Margarita River resulted in damage to existing road crossings of the river. The Santa Margarita River crossing will include riprap along the river bank, for ten feet up- and down-stream of the crossings.

The Marine Corps has coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Environmentally sensitive habitat areas such as riparian habitat will be avoided, and the project has been scheduled during the winter months to further avoid any sensitive species effects, such as effects on the southwestern arroyo toad, least Bell's vireo, and southwestern willow flycatcher. Upon completion of construction, the projects will not affect existing hydrology. If needed, existing flows will be diverted during construction; however temporary hydrological and sedimentation effects would be limited and would not affect the biologically sensitive area at the downstream river mouth and estuary. We agree with your conclusion that coastal zone resources will not be affected by the project.

We therefore <u>concur</u> with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5289 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Re: ND-94-96 U.S. Marine Corps, Five Groundwater Wells, Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base, San Diego Co.

Dear Mr. Armas:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination from the U.S. Marine Corps for the installation of five groundwater production wells in the lower Santa Margarita River Groundwater Basin, six to eight miles inland of the coastal zone boundary on Camp Pendleton. January 1993 flooding on the Santa Margarita River resulted in damage to a number of existing wells. Two of the wells would be replacement wells; the remaining three would be new wells. The wells would be connected to the the existing base water supply system.

The Marine Corps has coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Environmentally sensitive habitat areas such as riparian habitat will be avoided, and the project has been scheduled during the winter months to further avoid any sensitive species effects, such as effects on the southwestern arroyo toad, least Bell's vireo, and southwestern willow flycatcher. An archaeological monitor will be present during construction to assure archaeological resources will be protected. With these measures, we agree with your conclusion that coastal zone resources will not be affected by the project.

We therefore <u>concur</u> with your negative determination made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5289 if you have any questions.

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