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DATE: April 22, 1998

## 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 #: APPLICANT: LOCATION: PROJECT: ACTION: ACTION DATE:	ND-019-98 Navy Naval Air Weapons Station, Point Mugu, Ventura Co. Nonwarhead Standoff Land Attack Missile Program Concur 3/23/98		
PROJECT #: APPLICANT: LOCATION: PROJECT: ACTION: ACTION DATE:	ND-032-98 Marine Corps Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base, San Diego Co. Installation of geotechnical soil borings Concur 3/19/98		
ACTION DATE. 3/17/70			
PROJECT #: APPLICANT: LOCATION: PROJECT: ACTION: ACTION DATE:	ND-033-98 Navy Former Naval Shipyard, Long Beach, Los Angeles Co. Disposal of shipyard Concur 3/27/98		
PROJECT #:	ND-035-98		
APPLICANT: LOCATION: PROJECT: ACTION: ACTION DATE:	ND-055-98 Navy Naval Training Center, City of San Diego Disposal of Naval Training Center Concur 4/1/98		

PROJECT #:	
	ND-036-98
APPLICANT:	Coast Guard
LOCATION:	4 miles northwest of the City of Bolinas, Marin Co.
PROJECT:	Remove existing 128 foot communication antenna
ACTION:	Concur
ACTION DATE:	3/27/98
PROJECT #:	ND-037-98
APPLICANT:	Coast Guard
LOCATION:	U.S. Coast Guard Communication Area Master Station
ł.	Pacific, Housing Site, Point Reyes, Marin Co.
PROJECT:	Replace three on-site sewage storage tanks
ACTION:	Concur
ACTION DATE:	3/27/98
PROJECT #:	ND-038-98
APPLICANT:	Bureau of Indian Affairs
LOCATION:	Yurok Indian Reservation, Klamath River, Del Norte Co.
PROJECT:	Road surfacing and re-alignment
ACTION:	Concur
ACTION DATE:	4/7/98
PROJECT #:	ND-039-98
APPLICANT:	Navy
LOCATION:	Naval Construction Battalion Center, Port Hueneme,
	Ventura Co.
PROJECT:	Placement three single-story office trailers
ACTION:	Concur
ACTION DATE:	3/31/98
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PROJECT #:	ND-040-98
APPLICANT:	Bureau of Indian Affairs
LOCATION:	Trinidad Rancheria, Humboldt Co.
PROJECT:	Placement of land into trust status
ACTION:	Concur
ACTION DATE:	4/7/98
LOCATION: PROJECT: ACTION:	Trinidad Rancheria, Humboldt Co. Placement of land into trust status Concur

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PROJECT #:	ND-043-98
APPLICANT:	Navy
LOCATION:	Naval Air Weapons Station, Point Mugu, Ventura Co.
PROJECT:	Maintenance of dirt road
ACTION:	Concur
ACTION DATE:	. 4/8/98

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PETE WILSON, Governor



March 23, 1998

Vivian Goo Deputy Public Works Officer Attn: Jim Danza, FAX #(805) 989-1308 Naval Air Weapons Station, Point Mugu 521 19th Street Point Mugu, CA 93042-5001

RE: **CD-19-98** Negative Determination, Navy Standoff Land Attack Missile (SLAM) Program, San Nicolas Island, Ventura County

Dear Ms. Goo:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination from the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division (NAWC), for the Standoff Land Attack Missile (SLAM) Program, which is a military weapons test program involving the firing of non-warhead missiles from aircraft flying over the Pacific Ocean within the Pacific Missile Test Range. The missiles would be fired towards targets consisting of stacked metal storage trailers located in a previously disturbed area on the west side of San Nicolas Island. The Navy has previously conducted trial tests of this operation (a total of 71 SLAMs have previously been fired); however the Navy now seeks to conduct the tests on a regular basis, and so has published an Environmental Assessment and submitted this negative determination for the program.

The proposed program would involve up to 26 missile firings per year, within a time period of between 2 and 16 days per year, for 20 years. A firing consists of a missile (approximately 15 ft. long and weighing approximately 1500 lbs.) being fired from a military aircraft flying towards San Nicolas Island. The missile would be released from the aircraft wing approximately 50 miles from the Island and fly a pre-planned, route (controlled by autopilot, including the use of GPS and manned video camera links) to the planned target site on the island.

The only potentially present sensitive wildlife species in the target area is the threatened (Statelisted) Island fox, which is of concern because foxes could build dens in open areas under the trailers. The Navy has included measures to monitor for the foxes and assure that no open areas are created that could attract foxes. Sensitive avian and marine mammal species would not be affected by the firings. Based on past trials the Navy is confident it will hit the targets accurately, and in any event if a missile is errant the Navy will have the ability to control the missile and guide it along a trajectory taking it above and over the island, to avoid impacts on marine mammals in nearshore and open ocean areas below the missile path. Noise impacts will be minor and insignificant (>101 dB), and the aircraft (the noisiest emitter in the test) will normally maintain a 2000 ft. distance above the ocean, and will maintain a minimum 500 ft. distance above the ocean at all times. The Navy monitored marine mammal reactions during past SLAM trial tests in November 1997, and noted only slight startle reactions in very few of the mammals present and hauled out on shore, with no adverse biological consequences (e.g., stampeding, or moving towards the water). The Navy will continue to monitor marine mammal and seabird reactions to the tests for any startle or other reactions for the life of the program. There are no sensitive plant species in the project area.

Archaeological resources in the impact vicinity have been documented and the Navy has coordinated with the State Historic Preservation Officer to assure these resources are adequately protected, including assurance that an archaeological representative will be present during construction activities. Concerning recreational boating and commercial fishing, the ocean area west of San Nicolas Island is used sporadically for recreation and commerce, and the proposed 2 to 16 range closures per year (compared to an overall 150-200 range closures for all Navy programs within the Sea Range) represents minimal impacts to recreation and fishing. Air quality impacts and fuel spill risks will be minimal, with a worst case situation of up to 16 gallons of JP-10 fuel spilling if a full tank on a missile were to land in the ocean and be released; however this amount is small and this type of fuel evaporates quickly. Missile debris on the island will be removed after the impact, and all debris and equipment will be removed at the end of the program.

With the measures incorporated by the Navy into the project to minimize and monitor impacts, we **agree** that the project would not result in adverse impacts to any coastal zone resources, and 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.

Executive Director

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March 19, 1998

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Environmental Planning Division
Assistant Chief of Staff, Environmental Security
U.S. Marine Corps
Box 555010
Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base
Camp Pendleton, CA 92055-5010

Attn: Wayne Worthington

RE: **ND-32-98** Negative Determination, U.S. Marine Corps Geotechnical Borings, Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base

Dear Mr. Kramer:

We have received your negative determination for a geotechnical evaluation to determine the stability of coastal bluffs in the vicinity of the Landing Zone Viewpoint, west of I-5 on Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base. The project would consist of the drilling of two 30 inch diameter soil borings, to a depth of approximately 60 ft. The drilling would last only 2 days. No environmentally sensitive habitat would be affected. The project would not affect any scenic coastal views. Therefore, we **agree** that the proposed project will not affect any coastal zone resources, and we **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 any questions.

Sincerely,

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PETER M. DOUGLAS Executive Director

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March 27, 1998

Kimberly Kesler Base Closure Manager Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest Division ATTN: Melanie Ault 1220 Pacific Highway San Diego, CA 92132-5190

Subject: Negative Determination ND-33-98 (Disposal of the closed Long Beach Naval Shipyard, Port of Long Beach, Los Angeles County).

Dear Ms. Kesler:

The Coastal Commission staff reviewed your negative determination for disposal of the closed Long Beach Naval Shipyard, located on Terminal Island in the Port of Long Beach, Los Angeles County. The 1995 report of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission called for the closure of the shipyard; this occurred in 1997 and the Navy is now preparing to transfer the facility to the City and Port of Long Beach. (Closure of the adjacent Long Beach Naval Station occurred in 1994 and disposal and reuse of that property was the subject of Negative Determination ND-4-97, Port Master Plan Amendment No. 9, and coastal development permits 5-96-182 and 5-96-231.) The subject negative determination reports that the shipyard property consists of 250 acres of land and 650 acres of submerged land. Of this property, 84 acres of land and 602 acres of submerged land are subject to reversion to the City of Long Beach. The Navy has no discretion regarding the disposal of this reversionary property, nor control over its use following reversion. The Navy anticipates that the disposal process will be completed with a property deed transfer to the City of Long Beach by 2001. After deed transfer, the City will be the exclusive owner of the shipyard property. Until the deed transfer is completed, portions of the shipyard may be leased to the City for use by its harbor and other departments.

The Navy and the City of Long Beach issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report (EIS/R) in December 1997 for the disposal and reuse of the Long Beach Complex (comprised of the closed Naval Station and Shipyard, and adjacent properties in the Port of Long Beach owned by the City of Long Beach). The federal activity evaluated in this Draft EIS/R is the disposal of

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<u>nonreversionary</u> Navy property (166 acres of land and 48 acres of submerged land); the local government activity evaluated in the Draft EIS/R is the proposed reuse of the Long Beach Complex. (The Navy previously issued in February 1997 a Final EIS for disposal and reuse of the Naval Station; that document is superseded by the aforementioned December 1997 Draft EIS/R.) The Navy anticipates issuing the Long Beach Complex Final EIS/R in April 1998.

The Draft EIS/R examined four reuse alternatives for the closed Naval Shipyard: (1) Local Redevelopment Authority Alternative (marine container terminal facilities, on-dock railyard, ship repair facility, liquid bulk terminal, lumber terminal, and City of Long Beach Police Headquarters and training academy); (2) Auto Terminal Alternative (for the Naval Shipyard, the reuse plan is the same as in Alternative 1); (3) Institutional Campus Alternative (marine container terminal facilities, on-dock railyard, a larger ship repair facility, and lumber terminal); and (4) No Action Alternative (continued caretaker status of the shipyard, with nonreversionary property remaining in federal ownership). Under all alternatives, remediation of contaminated areas will continue to be the responsibility of the Navy. In addition, the Navy understands that should its future remediation and clean-up activities on the closed shipyard hold the potential to affect the coastal zone, then additional federal consistency review of those activities would be necessary.

In reviewing previous base disposal and reuse proposals submitted for consistency review under the negative determination process, the Commission staff commented on the proposed reuse alternatives, made preliminary determinations as to their consistency with Coastal Act policies, and noted that because the Commission would ultimately review the reuse plans through the LCP or port master plan amendment process, concurrence by staff with a negative determination for base disposal and reuse was appropriate. The Commission approved allowable land uses for the Naval Shipyard when it certified in July 1996 the Port of Long Beach's port master plan amendment No. 9, which, in part, designated land uses for the Naval Shipyard and Naval Station (jointly labeled the "Naval Complex") in anticipation of their ultimate transfer to the City and Port of Long Beach. However, the Commission retained coastal permitting jurisdiction for both facilities (excepting the Navy Mole portion of the Naval Station) until subsequent port master plan amendments are certified by the Commission for specific development projects on the Naval Complex. The Commission subsequently approved two coastal development permits for redevelopment of the Naval Station into a marine container terminal. Two of the reuse alternatives examined in the Draft EIS/R (Local Redevelopment Authority and Auto Terminal) appear consistent with the provisions of the Port of Long Beach port master plan. However, the Institutional Campus Alternative includes redevelopment projects that are inconsistent with the port master plan; an amendment to the master plan would be required prior to implementation of this alternative.

In conclusion, the proposed disposal and reuse of the former Long Beach Naval Shipyard will not adversely affect the coastal zone. The disposal will provide needed land for port activities within the jurisdictional boundary of the Port of Long Beach. Past and future Commission action on port master plan amendments and/or coastal development permits for proposed reuse

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activities on the former Naval Shipyard will serve as the vehicle for ensuring that redevelopment projects at this location are consistent with the policies of the California Coastal Management Program. 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 at (415) 904-5288 should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

(far) PETER M. DOUGLAS Executive Director

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April 1, 1998

Linda Geldner Base Closure Manager Department of the Navy, Southwest Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command Planning and Real Estate Department 1220 Pacific Highway San Diego, CA 92132-5190

RE: **ND-35-98** Negative Determination, U.S. Navy, Disposal of Naval Training Center, San Diego

Dear Ms. Geldner:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination for the disposal of the Naval Training Center San Diego to the City of San Diego. The Navy has prepared an Environmental Assessment and submitted this negative determination for the transfer of the land from the Navy to the City. The land is located within the coastal zone, along the northern portion of San Diego Bay, north of Harbor Island and west of Lindbergh Field.

In reviewing past Navy land disposal proposals, the Commission staff has concurred with the activities as negative determinations for situations where: (1) the land, after disposal, would be entirely within the coastal zone; and (2) a reuse process has been identified and the Commission will have the opportunity to subsequently regulate the reuse activities, either as coastal development permits, or as subsequently planned under the Local Coastal Program or Port Master Plan processes (see Negative Determinations ND-61-96 - Disposal of Naval Civil Engineering Lab, Port Hueneme; ND-4-97 - Disposal of Naval Station Long Beach; and ND-33-98 - Disposal of Naval Shipyard, Long Beach). In the present case, the land will initially be in the Commission's permit jurisdiction and will be the subject of a community plan overseen by the City of San Diego, which will ultimately be the subject of Commission review as an amendment to the City's Local Coastal Program. Thus the Commission retains sufficient authority over planning and permitting for these lands to agree that this disposal activity will not affect the coastal zone and, from a procedural perspective, is similar to activities for which negative determinations have been prepared in the past.

Therefore, we **agree** with your conclusion that no adverse impact to coastal resources would result from disposal of the Naval Training Center, and we hereby **concur** with your negative determination for this activity made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5280 if you have questions.

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March 27, 1998

Dave Stalters Chief, Environmental Division U.S. Coast Guard Civil Engineering Unit Oakland 2000 Embarcadero, Suite 200 Oakland, CA 94606-5337

RE: ND-36-98 Negative Determination, Coast Guard, Antenna Removal, Bolinas, Marin Co.

Dear Mr. Stalters:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination for the removal of an existing 128 ft. high communication antenna, 4 miles northwest of Bolinas in Marin County. No coastal zone resources will be adversely affected by the removal, and we **agree** with your conclusion that this activity will not affect the coastal zone. Therefore, we hereby <u>concur</u> with your negative determination for the project made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5280 if you have questions.

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March 27, 1998

Dave Stalters Chief, Environmental Division U.S. Coast Guard Civil Engineering Unit Oakland 2000 Embarcadero, Suite 200 Oakland, CA 94606-5337

RE: **ND-37-98** Negative Determination, Coast Guard, Storage tank replacement, Point Reyes Station, Marin Co.

Dear Mr. Stalters:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination for the replacement of three sanitary sewage storage tanks at the Coast Guard Communication Area Master Station housing site, on Commodore Western Drive, north of Point Reyes Station in Marin County. Corrosion has threatened the integrity of the tanks and they need to be replaced. The proposal will reduce sewage spill hazards. The tanks are not visible from Highway 1, and the existing and proposed tanks are, and will continue to remain, mostly buried. No sensitive wildlife species will be affected. Waste from the tanks is regularly pumped into trucks and transported to Petaluma's wastewater treatment facility; this operation will remain unchanged.

Therefore, we **agree** with your conclusion that no adverse impact to coastal resources would result from the project, and we hereby **concur** with your negative determination for the project made pursuant to Section 15 CFR 930.35(d) of the NOAA implementing regulations. Please contact Mark Delaplaine at (415) 904-5280 if you have questions.

Executive Director

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April 7, 1998

William Allan **Environmental Protection Specialist** Bureau of Indian Affairs Sacramento Area Office 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

**ND-38-98** Negative Determination, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Re: Gensaw Road surfacing and alignment, Yurok Indian Reservation, Del Norte Co.

Dear Mr. Allen:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced Negative Determination for the surfacing and alignment of Gensaw Road on the Yurok Indian Reservation north of the Klamath River near Requa. The road is currently dirt, which would be paved and slightly widened and realigned along a 0.48 kilometer section. The road is located on Indian land. BIA has incorporated erosion controls such as use of hay bales, silt fences, and sediment controls during construction. After construction, BIA states the project will reduce erosion and sedimentation problems which now occur on the dirt road.

We agree with your conclusion that this project will not adversely affect any coastal zone resources. We therefore concur with your negative determination made pursuant to 15 C.F.R. Section 930.35(d). If you have any questions, please contact Mark Delaplaine of the Coastal Commission staff at (415) 904-5289.

Sincerely,

Mark Deliphani (for) PETER M. DOUGLAS

Executive Director

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March 31, 1998

LCDR H.A. Bouika Environmental, Fire and Safety Director Department of the Navy Naval Construction Battalion Center 1000 23rd Ave. Port Hueneme, CA 93043-4301

RE: **ND-39-98** Negative Determination, Office Trailer Placement, Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC), Port Hueneme, Ventura County

Dear LCDR Bouika:

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The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination for the placement of three office trailers to provide laboratory space for the Surface Targets Engineering Branch. The trailers would be located within an existing developed area in the southern area of the NCBC, approximately midway between the Channel Islands residential community to the west and Port Hueneme Harbor to the east. No scenic public views would be affected. The project site contains no environmentally sensitive habitat. Public access and recreation would not be affected by the project. The project would not involve any discharges into marine waters.

We **agree** with the Navy that the project will not affect coastal resources, and 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.

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(for) PETER M. DOUGLAS Executive Director

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April 7, 1998

William Allan Environmental Protection Specialist Bureau of Indian Affairs Sacramento Area Office 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Re: **ND-40-98** Negative Determination, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) • Land Conveyance, Trinidad Rancheria, Humboldt Co.

Dear Mr. Allen:

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced Negative Determination for the placement of a 2.5 acre parcel of land in trust status for the Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community and the Trinidad Rancheria. The land is located just south of Highway 101, adjacent to the existing Trinidad Rancheria. The land currently contains two existing homes; no changes in land use or increased intensification of development is proposed. Thus, no development is proposed and the activity will not affect any coastal zone resources. Please note that any intensification or further changes in land use on the site should be coordinated with the Coastal Commission for any possible federal consistency implications.

We agree with your conclusion that this project will not adversely affect any coastal zone resources. We therefore **concur** with your negative determination made pursuant to 15 C.F.R. Section 930.35(d). If you have any questions, please contact Mark Delaplaine of the Coastal Commission staff at (415) 904-5289.

Sincerely,

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For) PETER M. DOUGLAS Executive Director

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April 8, 1998

Vivian Goo **Deputy Public Works Officer** Attn: Jim Danza FAX (805) 989-1308 Naval Air Weapons Station, Point Mugu 521 9th Street Point Mugu, CA 93042-5001

Dear Ms. Goo:

RE: **ND-43-98** Negative Determination, Road Maintenance, Naval Air Weapons Station (NAWS), Point Mugu, Ventura County

The Coastal Commission staff has received the above-referenced negative determination from the Navy for the maintenance of an existing unpaved access road in the eastern portion of the Naval Air Weapons Station (NAWS) in Point Mugu. The project involves smoothing out ruts and bumps in the road to allow vehicular access to continue to existing oxidation ponds on the base, emergency sewage storage, wetlands restoration, and utility maintenance. Approximately 1000 ft. of roadway would be maintained, commencing in May 1998 for up to approximately 10 days per year, over an indefinite period of time. No wetlands or environmentally sensitive habitat would be affected, as the portion of the road to be maintained is denuded of vegetation and the project would not affect the hydrological regime or surrounding wetlands in the area.

We agree that the project would not result in adverse impacts to any coastal zone resources, and 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,

Mart Diffam. (for) PETER M. DOUGLAS

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