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To: Commissioners and Interested Persons

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Subject: LCP AND PERIODIC REVIEW STATUS- NORTH COAST DISTRICT.

I. LCP STATUS

Within the Commission's North Coast District, there are currently 9 local jurisdictions with 20 LCP segments. Eighteen of the segments (90%) are effectively certified. Except for one segment of Mendocino County, all segments are overdue for Periodic Review.

| LCP segment | Year effectively certified | d No. of Yrs. Periodic Review Overdue |
|--|----------------------------|--|
| Del Norte County –County segment | 1983 | 13 |
| Del Norte County - Harbor segment | 1987 | 9 |
| Del Norte County - Lopez Creek segment | 1987 | 9 |
| Del Norte County - Pt. St. George segment | Not Yet Certified | |
| City of Crescent City segment | 1983 | 13 |
| City of Crescent City McNamara-Gillespie segment | 1984 | 12 |
| Humboldt Co Northcoast segment | 1986 | 10 |
| Humboldt Co Trinidad Area segment | 1986 | 10 |
| Humboldt Co McKinleyville segment | 1986 | 10 |
| Humboldt Co Humboldt Bay segment | 1986 | 10 |
| Humboldt Co Eel River segment | 1986 | 10 |
| Humboldt Co Southcoast segment | 1986 | 10 |
| City of Trinidad | 1980 | The Commission completed a Periodic Review in 1990; another review is now overdue by 6 years. |
| City of Arcata | 1989 | 7 |
| City of Eureka | 1984 | 12 |
| Mendocino Co Balance segment | 1992 | 4 |
| Mendocino Co Town segment | 1996 | Due 2001 |
| Mendocino Co Pygmy Forest segment | Not Yet Certified | |
| City of Ft. Bragg | 1983 | 13 |
| City of Pt. Arena | 1981 | 15 |

II. ONGOING LOCAL COASTAL PLANNING:

Several local governments are completing or updating LCPs under planning grants awarded by the Commission:

- Both Del Norte County and the City of Crescent City are undertaking comprehensive updates of their LCPs.
- The City of Trinidad is completing an updated Land Use Plan (LUP) and an LUP for the Trinidad Harbor Area of Deferred Certification (ADC). The City has completed a Public Hearing Draft of the LUP.
- The City of Fort Bragg received a grant to help fund the update of a portion of the City's Local Coastal Program for the 400-acre Georgia- Pacific shoreline site. Baseline data has been compiled and public workshops held.
- Mendocino County is undertaking a comprehensive update of their LCP that includes evaluation of the effectiveness of the LCP (certified in 1992) and preparation of updated policies and ordinances.

III. OTHER RELATED PLANNING EFFORTS

In addition to the above, staff is aware of other locally initiated planning efforts:

- Humboldt County is currently initiating a multi-year, comprehensive update of its LCP. The LCP as certified consists of separate Land Use Plans for different geographic areas of the County's coastal zone plus a Coastal Zoning Ordinance. The planned LCP update would potentially result in revisions to all components of the LCP.
- The City of Arcata plans to revise and update its Land Use Plan over approximately the next year.
- The City of Point Arena has undertaken a comprehensive update of its LCP, including both Land Use Plan and Zoning components, and has submitted a review draft for Commission staff comments.

IV. POST-CERTIFICATION ACTIONS

In the North Coast District, most post-certification appeals of local coastal permit decisions have been made from decisions of the County of Mendocino as indicated in Table 1 below. Of 72 appeals, the Commission found Substantial Issue in 29 of the appeals (40%). The issues raised most frequently have been Scenic and Visual Resources / Landform Alteration, Public Access and Hazards.

| Jurisdiction | No. of Appeals | SI Found | Percentage of appeals |
|------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Mendocino County | 31 | 18 | 58% |
| Humboldt County | 13 | 3 | 23% |
| Fort Bragg | 9 | 4 | 44% |
| Del Norte County | 6 | 2 | 33% |
| Eureka | 5 | 1 | 20% |
| Trinidad City | 4 | 0 | 0% |
| Point Arena | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| Crescent City | 2 | 1 | 50% |
| Tot | tal 72 | 29 | 40% |

Table 1: Post-Certification Appeals¹

Table 2: Issues Raised in Post Certification Appeals

| Issues | Number of Appeals in which issue was Raised | Percentage of appeals |
|---|---|-----------------------|
| Scenic and Visual / Landform Alteration | 44 | 61% |
| Access | 31 | 43% |
| Hazards | 27 | 38% |
| ESHA - Wetlands | 16 | 22% |
| ESHA - Other | 15 | 21% |
| Concentration / Location / Intensity of | 15 | 21% |
| Development | | |
| Water Quality/ Polluted Runoff | 12 | 17% |
| Sewage / Water | 12 | 17% |
| Archaeological / Paleontological | 12 | 17% |
| Traffic / Transit / Road Capacity | 7 | 10% |
| Other | 7 | 10% |
| Recreation / Visitor Serving | 5 | 7% |
| Shoreline and Streambank Structures / | 4 | 6% |
| Alteration / Processes | | |
| Agriculture | 3 | 4% |
| Parking | 2 | 3% |

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¹ The source of post certification data presented in Tables 1 and 2 is the Statewide Appeals Database of Appeals as reported on CCC Agendas, 12/80 through 7/01.