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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Commissioners and

Interested Persons

DATE: September 18, 2002

FROM:

Staff

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SUBJECT:

Request to Waive Time Limit for Imperial Beach LCP Amendment No. 2-2002 (Telecommunications) for the Commission Meeting of September

10-13, 2002

On September 22, 2002, the City of Imperial Beach's proposed Local Coastal Program Amendment (LCPA) #1-2002 was filed in the San Diego District office. The amendment would modify the certified Imperial Beach LCP implementation plan to add regulations governing the use, placement and design of wireless communication facilities. The amendment would permit the location of wireless communication facilities in the City's public facilities zone subject to Site Plan Review, and in commercial zones with issuance of a Condition Use Permit (CUP). In residential zones, they would be permitted when required to avoid a significant gap in coverage, subject to issuance of a CUP.

Pursuant to Section 30512 of the Coastal Act, an implementation plan amendment must be acted on by the Commission within 60 days of complete submittal. To be heard within the allotted time period, the amendment request would have to be agendized on the October 2002 hearing. However, Section 30517 of the Coastal Act and Section 13535 of the Code of Regulations state that the Commission may for good cause extend a time limit for a period not to exceed one year, after consultation with the local government and by a majority vote of the Commissioners present. Commission staff is requesting the time extension to allow additional time for staff to review the amendment in consultation with City staff. Staff expects to schedule the LCP amendment on the November 2002 hearing in San Diego.

Summary of Staff Recommendation. Staff recommends the Commission extend the 60-day time limit for a period not to exceed one year.

MOTION:

I move that the Commission extend the 60-day time limit to Imperial Beach LCP Amendment No. 2-2002 for a period not to exceed one year.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a <u>YES</u> vote. An affirmative vote of the majority of the Commissioners present is needed to pass the motion.