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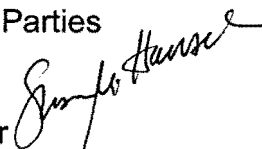


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TO: Commissioners and other Interested Parties

FROM: Peter Douglas, Executive Director
Susan Hansch, Chief Deputy Director 
Christiane Parry, Public Education Program Manager

SUBJECT: Revision of Whale Tail Grant for S.E.A. LAB Monterey Bay.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Commissioners authorize the Commission staff the option of awarding portions of the previously approved \$60,000 Whale Tail Grant for S.E.A. LAB Monterey Bay to several recipients including Lawrence Hall of Science/University of California Berkeley, California State University Monterey Bay and the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Foundation. The use of multiple direct contracts may be needed to minimize overhead costs.

Motion: *I move that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to use his discretion to enter into one or more contracts with Lawrence Hall of Science/University of California Berkeley, California State University Monterey Bay, the Monterey Bay Sanctuary Foundation to efficiently utilize the FY2001/2002 \$60,000 Whale Tail Grant for S.E.A. LAB Monterey Bay.*

Staff Analysis: On September 12, 2001, the Commission approved a targeted Whale Tail Grant to California State University, Monterey Bay for \$60,000 for S.E.A. LAB Monterey Bay. The S.E.A. LAB Project is proceeding and two weeks of day camp and three weeks of residential camp are scheduled for summer 2002.

S.E.A. LAB will be collaborating with California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB) and Lawrence Hall of Science/University of California Berkeley to complete and present the science-based curriculum. Lawrence Hall of Science just agreed to collaborate on this project and their involvement will add to the quality of the program.

The entire \$60,000 grant was awarded to CSUMB. We have now determined that it may be more efficient and involve less overhead if the Coastal Commission contracts directly with the Lawrence Hall of Science rather than CSUMB executing a sub-contract.

We are still working out all the details with the various contract offices and therefore request that the Commission authorize the Executive Director the option to choose the most efficient contract choice. There is no change in the amount of the original grant or in the purpose.