TO: Coastal Commissioners and Interested Parties
FROM: South Coast District Staff
SUBJECT: Request to extend the 90-day time limit for action
City of Dana Point Local Coastal Program Amendment 2-02.

Summary of Amendment Request

On May 30, 2002, staff for the South Coast District of the Coastal Commission received from the City of Dana Point Local Coastal Program Amendment (LCPA) 2-02. This LCP Amendment affects the City’s certified Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan. It proposes to amend the City’s certified Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan effective for the Dana Point Headlands area in its entirety with an updated Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan as well as certify a Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan for the previously uncertified Dana Strands area. On June 12, 2002, Coastal Commission staff notified the City of Dana Point that the submittal was incomplete and that additional information would be required to complete the submittal.

Pursuant to Section 30510(b) of the Coastal Act, the submittal was deemed to be complete and in proper order for filing as of August 5, 2002.

Pursuant to Sections 30512 and 30514 of the Coastal Act, an amendment to a certified LCP affecting the land use plan and implementation plan, must be acted on by the Commission within 90 days after the submittal request has been deemed to be in proper order for filing. The 90th day for this LCP amendment is November 3, 2002. In order to be heard within this allotted time period, the amendment request would have to be scheduled for hearing by the October 8-11, 2002 Commission meeting in Eureka. Section 30517 of the Coastal Act allows the Commission to extend, for good cause, the 90-day time limit for up to one year. Commission staff is requesting this extension to allow additional time for the Staff to consult with the City of Dana Point on the Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan update. City staff has been notified of this time extension request and has not objected to this request.

SUMMARY OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission extend the 90-day time limit for a period not to exceed one year.

MOTION:

"I move that the Commission extend the 90-day time limit to act on the City of Dana Point LCP Amendment 2-02 for a period not to exceed one year."

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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

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