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DATE: February 24, 2005
TO: Commissioners and Interested Persons
FROM: Jack Ainsworth, Deputy Director
SUBJECT: **Santa Barbara County Local Coastal Program Amendment No. STB-MAJ-2-04-C & -D (Ocean Meadows & Ellwood-Devereux Open Space Plan) Time Extension for March 16, 2005, Commission Hearing in Newport Beach.**

On December 20, 2004, the County of Santa Barbara submitted an amendment to the Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan portions of its certified Local Coastal Program (LCP). The amendment proposes to modify land use and zoning designations on part of APN 073-090-062 from Planned Residential Development to Recreation; and amend Goleta Community Plan to incorporate Ellwood-Devereux Open Space Plan including land use designations, resource maps, and policies. On January 25, 2005, the Executive Director determined that the County's amendment submittal was in proper order and legally adequate to comply with the submittal requirements of Coastal Act Section 30510 (b).

Pursuant to Section 30513 of the Coastal Act, an amendment to the certified LCP must be scheduled for a public hearing and the Commission must take action within 90 days of a complete submittal. The 90th day after filing the complete submittal is April 25, 2005. In order to be heard within this time frame, the amendment would have to be scheduled for the Commission's April 2005 meeting.

Coastal Act Section 30517 and California Code of Regulations Section 13535 (c) state that the Commission may extend for good cause the 90-day time limit for a period not to exceed one year. Commission staff is requesting an extension to the 90-day time limit in order to allow adequate time to review and analyze the amendment. Therefore, staff recommends that the Commission extend the 90-day time limit to act on the County of Santa Barbara LCP Amendment No. MAJ-4-02 for a period not to exceed one year. Staff tentatively anticipates bringing this matter to the Commission's September or October 2005 hearing.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission vote to extend the deadline for Commission action for up to one year.

MOTION: *I move that the Commission extend the 90-day time limit to act on the County of Santa Barbara LCP Amendment No. STB-MAJ-4-02 for a period not to exceed one year.*

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends a **YES** vote. An affirmative vote of a majority of the Commission present is needed to pass the motion.