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DATE: April 1, 2005

TO: Coastal Commissioners and Interested Parties

FROM: Peter Douglas, Executive Director  
Robert Merrill, North Coast District Manager

SUBJECT: **CITY OF POINT ARENA LCP AMENDMENT NO. PTA-MAJ-1-01  
(LCP Update)**  
For the Commission meeting of April 15, 2005

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Amendment Description:

On October 2, 2001, the Commission received an LCP amendment transmitted by the City of Point Arena for a comprehensive update of the City's certified LCP. On January 28, 2005, the Executive Director determined that the County's LCP amendment transmittal was in proper order and the application was deemed submitted.

As submitted, City of Point Arena LCP Amendment No PTA-MAJ-1-01 (LCP Update) would comprehensively update and modify both the land use plan and implementation plan of the City's LCP which was originally certified in 1981.

Pursuant to Sections 30512 and 30514 of the Coastal Act and Section 13553 of the Commission's regulations, LCP Amendment No. PTA-MAJ-1-01 must be scheduled for public hearing and the Commission must take action within 90 days of the date the application was deemed submitted. The 90<sup>th</sup> day after the date this LCP Amendment Application was deemed submitted is April 28, 2005. Therefore, the LCP Amendment would need to be scheduled for Commission action at or prior to the Commission's April 13-15, 2005 hearings.

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**Time Extension**

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The broad scope of the amendment has necessitated a considerable amount of Commission staff time to review the amendment for conformity with the Coastal Act. The size of the task and the shortage of staff in the Commission's North Coast office due to both the State's current budget difficulties and the extended illness of certain staff have lengthened the time needed for staff review of the amendment. Thus, a time extension is necessary to allow staff to conduct further research and analysis of the conformance of the LCP amendment with the provisions of the Coastal Act and prepare an appropriate staff recommendation to the Commission.

Coastal Act Section 30517 states that the Commission may extend for good cause the 90-day time limit for Commission action on an LCP Amendment for a period not to exceed one year.

Staff Recommendation

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

MOTION:

I move that the Commission extend the time limit to act on City of Point Arena Local Coastal Program Amendment No. PTA-MAJ-1-01 for a period of one year.

Staff recommends a YES vote. Passage of this motion will result in a one year extension of the period in which the Commission must act on the proposal, changing the deadline for Commission action from April 28, 2005 to April 28, 2006. An affirmative vote of a majority of the Commissioners present is needed to pass the motion.