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NORTH COAST DISTRICT DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

For the

September Meeting of the California Coastal Commission

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 16, 2010

TO: Commissioners and Interested Parties
FROM: Peter Douglas, North Coast District Deputy Director
SUBJECT: *Deputy Director's Report*

Following is a listing for the waivers, emergency permits, immaterial amendments and extensions issued by the North Coast District Office for the September 16, 2010 Coastal Commission hearing. Copies of the applicable items are attached for your review. Each item includes a listing of the applicants involved, a description of the proposed development, and a project location.

Pursuant to the Commission's direction and adopted procedures, appropriate notice materials were sent to all applicants for posting at the project site. Additionally, these items have been posted at the District office and are available for public review and comment.

This report may also contain additional correspondence and/or any additional staff memorandum concerning the items to be heard on today's agenda for the North Coast District.

DE MINIMIS WAIVERS

1. 1-10-023-W Chevron Products Company, Attn: Scott Parsons (, Humboldt County)
2. 1-10-025-W County Of Del Norte Community Development Department, Attn: Heidi Kunstal (, Del Norte County)
3. 1-10-026-W City Of Crescent City (, Del Norte County)
4. 1-10-030-W The Wildlands Conservancy, Attn: David Clendenen (Near Ferndale, Humboldt County)

IMMATERIAL AMENDMENTS

1. A-1-FTB-05-053-A7 Georgia-Pacific Corporation (Fort Bragg, Mendocino County)
2. 1-08-017-A1 Wiyot Tribe, Attn: Stephen Kullmann (, Humboldt County)

TOTAL OF 6 ITEMS

DETAIL OF ATTACHED MATERIALS

REPORT OF DE MINIMIS WAIVERS

The Executive Director has determined that the following developments do not require a coastal development permit pursuant to Section 30624.7 of the California Coastal Act of 1976.

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Project Description</i>	<i>Project Location</i>
1-10-023-W Chevron Products Company, Attn: Scott Parsons	Demolish and remove the remnants of two approximately 375-square-foot earthquake-damaged wooden shed buildings built partially over Humboldt Bay.	3400 Christie Street (southwest of Chevron Marine Terminal Facility at West Terminus of Truesdale Street, Eureka), Humboldt County
1-10-025-W County Of Del Norte Community Development Department, Attn: Heidi Kunstal	Place a total of two regulatory/interpretative signs at two locations within the Pt. Saint George area. Each sign would be a maximum of five feet tall and include (a) 3-foot-wide by 2-foot high placard that will alert visitors to the fact that they are visiting a sensitive archaeological area that requires protection and preservation, and (b) a 3-foot-wide by 6-inch-high placard that provides direction on where to file a complaint in the event that cultural resources are being disturbed.	At two locations along Pebble Beach Drive and Radio Road, approximately one-half and one mile northwest of the intersection of Airport Road and Pebble Beach Drive, approximately three miles northwest of Crescent City, Del Norte County., Del Norte County
1-10-026-W City Of Crescent City	Repair and upgrade an existing overlook at Howe Park that has been undercut by storm surge wave action. Existing broken pavement and loose base would be removed from an approximately 300-square-foot undermined portion of the concrete paneled overlook platform and replaced with a new reinforced footing and replacement concrete decking. In addition, the existing gravel pathway leading to the overlook would be paved to provide a more stable and ADA-accessible path for travel for coastal visitors.	Along the shoreline of Howe Park, situated between the western end of Howe Drive and Crescent City Harbor, with the City of Crescent City, Del Norte County
1-10-030-W The Wildlands Conservancy, Attn: David Clendenen	The placement of approximately 83 66-inch-high by 3.75-inch-wide carsonite (flexible) "no vehicles" signs at approximately 250-foot intervals along the length of the approximately 3.5-mile-long western property boundary. Signs will be sunken into the ground approximately 3 feet so as to appear approximately 3 to 4 feet above ground level. Each sign will be posted with a black and white decal stating "No Vehicles - Private Property."	Sounding Seas - Eel River Estuary Preserve: on the beach/dune interface above the mean high tide line from ~1 mile north of Centerville Beach County Park to the Eel River mouth, Near Ferndale (Humboldt County)

REPORT OF IMMATERIAL AMENDMENTS

The Executive Director has determined that there are no changes in circumstances affecting the conformity of the subject development with the California Coastal Act of 1976. No objections to this determination have been received at this office. Therefore, the Executive Director grants the requested Immaterial Amendment, subject to the same conditions, if any, approved by the Commission.

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<p>A-1-FTB-05-053-A7 Georgia-Pacific Corporation</p>	<p>Reduce the likelihood of stormwater runoff and ground water entering into the previously constructed dioxin-contaminated soil consolidation cell by (a) deepening existing perimeter ditches along the southern and eastern edges of the cell and shifting the ditches laterally away from the cell, (b) replacing two 12-inch-diameter culverts down gradient of the cell, and (c) extending the geosynthetic clay liner (GCL) in the final cover system across the northern anchor trench to divert water away from the anchor trench.</p>	<p>90 West Redwood Avenue (former Georgia-Pacific California wood Products Manufacturing Facility), Fort Bragg (Mendocino County)</p>
<p>1-08-017-A1 Wiyot Tribe, Attn: Stephen Kullmann</p>	<p>Instead of placing a temporary causeway within the bay mudflats to transfer the concrete needed to repair the existing bulkhead as authorized in the original permit, the proposed amended development involves staging a concrete pumper within the Highway 255 Caltrans right-of-way to pump concrete under low pressure through a 4-inch diameter pipe to the bulkhead construction area on Indian Island. A total of 800-900 lineal feet of pipeline with joints at 25-foot intervals and secondary containment at selected joints will be temporarily placed to transport the concrete needed to repair the bulkhead. A small barge anchored with 10-inch diameter spud pins will be staged near shore adjacent to the levee system approximately half way between the pumper staging area near the highway and the bulkhead repair area to hold a booster-pump, which will then pump the concrete the remaining distance to the bulkhead repair area. The proposed route where the temporary pipeline will be placed is located along existing footpaths. Temporary wooden bridges will be installed across sensitive wetland areas and tidal channels located along the proposed route to avoid fill impacts to wetland ESHA. Both pumps will be manually controlled, and several people will be monitoring the pumping operation during construction and will immediately shut off the pumps if a spill is detected. The concrete pumping operation is expected to take approximately 5 hours to complete, and the work will be conducted during low to medium tides only. The proposed amended development necessitates no changes either to the approved SWPPP or to the approved Spill Prevention, Containment, and Countermeasure Plan. In the event of a spill outside of a containment area, the immediate area will be contained, the concrete allowed to dry and then removed. The proposed amended development replaces the need for three or four bay transits with a tug and barge outfitted to handle two concrete delivery trucks, and it eliminates the need for the placement of the temporary causeway for this stage of the project.</p>	<p>Indian Island (East of Highway 255), Eureka, Humboldt County</p>

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**NOTICE OF COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WAIVER**

DATE: September 14, 2010
TO: Chevron Products Company, Attn: Scott Parsons
FROM: Peter M. Douglas, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Waiver of Coastal Development Permit Requirement:
Waiver De Minimis Number 1-10-023-W

Based on project plans and information submitted by the applicant(s) named below regarding the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit, pursuant to Title 14, Section 13238 of the California Code of Regulations.

APPLICANT: **Chevron Products Company, Attn: Scott Parsons**

LOCATION: **3400 Christie Street (southwest of Chevron Marine Terminal Facility at West Terminus of Truesdale Street, Eureka), Humboldt County (APN(s) 007-071-08, 007-071-13)**

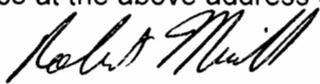
DESCRIPTION: **Demolish and remove the remnants of two approximately 375-square-foot earthquake-damaged wooden shed buildings built partially over Humboldt Bay.**

RATIONALE: **As proposed, the demolition will be performed in a manner to avoid impacts on coastal resources. All work would be performed during lower stages of the tide. Demolition debris would be collected on mats placed on the ground and mudflat, and all debris would be collected and hauled to an authorized disposal site outside of the coastal zone. Supporting piles would be cut off one-foot below the mud line and all work in the tidal zone would be performed manually. A forklift for removing debris would operate from land and any needed refueling would be performed more than 100 feet from the shoreline embankment. The work is estimated to be completed within three days. The proposed project will have no adverse impacts on coastal resources and is consistent with all applicable Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act.**

IMPORTANT: This waiver is not valid unless the site has been posted AND until the waiver has been reported to the Coastal Commission. This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission at the meeting of Thursday, September 16, 2010, in Eureka. If four Commissioners object to this waiver, a coastal development permit will be required.

Persons wishing to object to or having questions regarding the issuance of a coastal permit waiver for this project should contact the Commission office at the above address or phone number prior to the Commission meeting date.

Sincerely,
PETER M. DOUGLAS
Executive Director


By: ROBERT MERRILL
District Manager

Coastal Commission Reference No. 1-10-023-W

Date: 9/14/2010

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cc: Local Planning Dept.

Winzler & Kelly Consulting Engineers, Attn: Scott Harris

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DATE: September 14, 2010
TO: County Of Del Norte Community Development Department, Attn: Heidi Kunstal
FROM: Peter M. Douglas, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Waiver of Coastal Development Permit Requirement:
Waiver De Minimis Number 1-10-025-W

Based on project plans and information submitted by the applicant(s) named below regarding the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit, pursuant to Title 14, Section 13238 of the California Code of Regulations.

APPLICANT: County Of Del Norte Community Development Department, Attn: Heidi Kunstal

LOCATION: At two locations along Pebble Beach Drive and Radio Road, approximately one-half and one mile northwest of the intersection of Airport Road and Pebble Beach Drive, approximately three miles northwest of Crescent City, Del Norte County., Del Norte County (APN(s) 110-010-19)

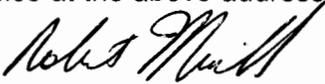
DESCRIPTION: Place a total of two regulatory/interpretative signs at two locations within the Pt. Saint George area. Each sign would be a maximum of five feet tall and include (a) 3-foot-wide by 2-foot high placard that will alert visitors to the fact that they are visiting a sensitive archaeological area that requires protection and preservation, and (b) a 3-foot-wide by 6-inch-high placard that provides direction on where to file a complaint in the event that cultural resources are being disturbed.

RATIONALE: The signage is proposed to protect sensitive archaeological resources associated with the ancestors of the Tolowa people. The sign locations are in areas where their installation will not adversely affect archaeological resources and which are paved or previously disturbed areas outside of sensitive habitat. As each sign will not exceed eight square feet in size, be no higher than five-feet-high, and be located close to other structures such as fencing, road signs, guard rails, and gates, the proposed signs will have no significant adverse impacts on visual resources. Therefore, the proposed project will have no significant adverse impacts on coastal resources and is consistent with all applicable Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act.

IMPORTANT: This waiver is not valid unless the site has been posted AND until the waiver has been reported to the Coastal Commission. This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission at the meeting of Thursday, September 16, 2010, in Eureka. If four Commissioners object to this waiver, a coastal development permit will be required.

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Sincerely,
PETER M. DOUGLAS
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By: ROBERT MERRILL
District Manager

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**NOTICE OF COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WAIVER**

DATE: September 15, 2010
TO: City of Crescent City
FROM: Peter M. Douglas, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Waiver of Coastal Development Permit Requirement:
Waiver De Minimis Number 1-10-026-W

Based on project plans and information submitted by the applicant(s) named below regarding the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit, pursuant to Title 14, Section 13238 of the California Code of Regulations.

APPLICANT: City of Crescent City

LOCATION: Along the shoreline of Howe Park, situated between the western end of Howe Drive and Crescent City Harbor, within the City of Crescent City, Del Norte County

DESCRIPTION: Repair and upgrade an existing overlook at Howe Park that has been undercut by storm surge wave action. Existing broken pavement and loose base would be removed from an approximately 300-square-foot undermined portion of the concrete paneled overlook platform and replaced with a new reinforced footing and replacement concrete decking. In addition, the existing gravel pathway leading to the overlook would be paved to provide a more stable and ADA-accessible path of travel for coastal visitors.

RATIONALE: The proposed overlook repairs would enhance public coastal access. Upgrading the trail surface would facilitate continued coastal access uses within established public parklands. The overlook deck and trail are existing features and work is limited to replacement of the deck and its underpinnings and re-surfacing of the trail, with no expansion in their size or intensity of use proposed. The trail re-surfacing or other improvement work would not encroach into sensitive habitat areas and will avoid the need for periodic reapplication of additional gravel materials to replace the scoured trail surface. The proposed project will have no adverse impacts on coastal resources and is consistent with all applicable Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act.

IMPORTANT: This waiver is not valid unless the site has been posted AND until the waiver has been reported to the Coastal Commission. This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission at the meeting of Thursday, September 16, 2010, in Eureka. If four Commissioners object to this waiver, a coastal development permit will be required.

Persons wishing to object to or having questions regarding the issuance of a coastal permit waiver for this project should contact the Commission office at the above address or phone number prior to the Commission meeting date.

Sincerely,
PETER M. DOUGLAS
Executive Director

By: JAMES R. BASKIN AICP
Coastal Planner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Baskin", written over a horizontal line.

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DATE: September 14, 2010
TO: The Wildlands Conservancy, Attn: David Clendenen
FROM: Peter M. Douglas, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Waiver of Coastal Development Permit Requirement:
Waiver De Minimis Number 1-10-030-W

Based on project plans and information submitted by the applicant(s) named below regarding the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit, pursuant to Title 14, Section 13238 of the California Code of Regulations.

APPLICANT: The Wildlands Conservancy, Attn: David Clendenen

LOCATION: Sounding Seas - Eel River Estuary Preserve: on the beach/dune interface above the mean high tide line from ~1 mile north of Centerville Beach County Park to the Eel River mouth, Near Ferndale (Humboldt County) (APN(s) 100-143-01, 100-131-04, 100-121-05, 100-121-01)

DESCRIPTION: The placement of approximately 83 66-inch-high by 3.75-inch-wide carsonite (flexible) "no vehicles" signs at approximately 250-foot intervals along the length of the approximately 3.5-mile-long western property boundary. Signs will be sunken into the ground approximately 3 feet so as to appear approximately 3 to 4 feet above ground level. Each sign will be posted with a black and white decal stating "No Vehicles - Private Property."

RATIONALE: The proposed signage, which will be placed in environmentally sensitive beach and dune habitat areas (ESHA), constitutes a use dependent on the resources of the ESHA in that the purpose of the proposed signage is to deter unauthorized OHV use originating from Centerville Beach away from the fragile dune environment on the private property, which contains rare and endangered plant species, including beach layia (*Layia carnosa*), and sensitive native dune plant communities. OHVs are permitted along the wave slope in the area, but illegal and unauthorized OHV use in the dune environment on the property has degraded the dune habitat and its associated sensitive species. The proposed signs will be compatible in their size, design, and color with signs common to state parks and beaches in the region. The distance between signs is proposed at a frequency that will ensure that the public is aware of the property boundary location and the prohibited OHV use within it (as posted on the proposed signs), while the narrow and short design of the proposed signs will ensure that the signs do not block views to and along the coast or significantly degrade the scenic values of the beach and dunes in the area. Finally, the signs will not result in an alteration of natural land forms, as no grading is proposed or required along the beach or dunes to install the signs. Therefore, the proposed project will have no adverse impact on coastal resources and is consistent with all applicable Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act.

IMPORTANT: This waiver is not valid unless the site has been posted AND until the waiver has been reported to the Coastal Commission. This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission at the meeting of Thursday, September 16, 2010, in Eureka. If four Commissioners object to this waiver, a coastal development permit will be required.

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Sincerely,
PETER M. DOUGLAS
Executive Director


By: MELISSA KRAEMER
Coastal Program Analyst

cc: Local Planning Dept.

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT AMENDMENT**

TO: All Interested Parties
FROM: Peter Douglas, Executive Director
DATE: September 14, 2010
SUBJECT: **Permit No: A-1-FTB-05-053-A7**
Granted to: Georgia-Pacific Corporation

Original Description:

- for **Georgia-Pacific Mill Site Foundation Removal, Additional Investigation and Interim Remedial Measures Project -- Entailing: (1) removal of building foundations, additional investigation, and if necessary, interim remedial measures (IRMs) at the following areas: (a) compressor house, (b) former Sawmill #1, (c) powerhouse and associated buildings, (d) fuel barn, (e) chipper building, (f) water treatment plant, (g) powerhouse, fuel storage building, (h) sewage pumping station, (i) dewatering Slabs, (j) water supply switch building, (k) former mobile equipment shop, and (l) associated subsurface structures; (2) removal of debris from Glass Beaches #1 through #3; and (3) removal of geophysical anomalies on Parcels 3 and 10 of the former Georgia-Pacific Sawmill site, (4) excavating approximately 13,000 cubic yards of dioxin-impacted soil from several areas in Parcel 10 (within the area referred to as Operable Unit A [OU-A South]; and (5) constructing an approximately 1.5-acre consolidation cell with an engineered cap for onsite, subsurface management of the excavated dioxin-impacted soil described in Item 4 above.**
- at **90 West Redwood Avenue (former Georgia-Pacific California wood Products Manufacturing Facility), Fort Bragg (Mendocino County)**

The Executive Director of the Coastal Commission has reviewed a proposed amendment to the above referenced permit, which would result in the following changes:

Reduce the likelihood of stormwater runoff and ground water entering into the previously constructed dioxin-contaminated soil consolidation cell by (a) deepening existing perimeter ditches along the southern and eastern edges of the cell and shifting the ditches laterally away from the cell, (b) replacing two 12-inch-diameter culverts down gradient of the cell, and (c) extending the geosynthetic clay liner (GCL) in the final cover system across the northern anchor trench to divert water away from the anchor trench.

FINDINGS

Pursuant to Title 14, Section 13166(b) of the California Code of Regulations this amendment is considered to be IMMATERIAL and the permit will be amended accordingly if no written objections are received within ten working days of the date of this notice. If an objection is

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT AMENDMENT**

received, the amendment must be reported to the Commission at the next regularly scheduled meeting. This amendment has been considered IMMATERIAL for the following reason(s):

The proposed drainage improvements are designed to keep stormwater and groundwater from entering the consolidation cell and compromising the cell's effectiveness in containing dioxin-contaminated soil. The grading and excavation work will not affect sensitive habitat and will have no significant adverse effects on coastal resources. The amended development is consistent with the certified Fort Bragg Local Coastal Program.

If you have any questions about the proposal or wish to register an objection, please contact Robert Merrill at the North Coast District office.

cc: Local Planning Dept.

Arcadis U.S., Inc., Attn: Bridgette Deshields

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT AMENDMENT

TO: All Interested Parties
FROM: Peter Douglas, Executive Director
DATE: September 2, 2010
SUBJECT: **Permit No: 1-08-017-A1**
Granted to: Wiyot Tribe, Attn: Stephen Kullmann

Original Description:

for **Phase I of the Tuluwat Restoration Project, which involves (1) placing a temporary causeway within the bay mudflats to transfer construction materials from barges to the island during lower tides; (2) repairing the existing bulkhead; (3) removing debris and demolishing various dilapidate structures on the island; (4) excavating approximately 17 cubic yards of PCP-contaminated midden soils; (5) installing a protective soil and geotextile cover across the majority of the upland portion of the 1.5-acre parcel; and (6) installing a shoreline revetment structure (as a footing to the proposed protective soil/geotextile cap) consisting of ~130 lineal feet of carbon reinforced fiberglass sheet piling.**

at **Indian Island (East of Highway 255), Eureka, Humboldt County**

The Executive Director of the Coastal Commission has reviewed a proposed amendment to the above referenced permit, which would result in the following changes:

Instead of placing a temporary causeway within the bay mudflats to transfer the concrete needed to repair the existing bulkhead as authorized in the original permit, the proposed amended development involves staging a concrete pumper within the Highway 255 Caltrans right-of-way to pump concrete under low pressure through a 4-inch diameter pipe to the bulkhead construction area on Indian Island. A total of 800-900 lineal feet of pipeline with joints at 25-foot intervals and secondary containment at selected joints will be temporarily placed to transport the concrete needed to repair the bulkhead. A small barge anchored with 10-inch diameter spud pins will be staged near shore adjacent to the levee system approximately half way between the pumper staging area near the highway and the bulkhead repair area to hold a booster-pump, which will then pump the concrete the remaining distance to the bulkhead repair area. The proposed amended development replaces the need for three or four bay transits with a tug and barge outfitted to handle two concrete delivery trucks, and it eliminates the need for the placement of the temporary causeway for this stage of the project.

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FINDINGS

Pursuant to Title 14, Section 13166(b) of the California Code of Regulations this amendment is considered to be IMMATERIAL and the permit will be amended accordingly if no written objections are received within ten working days of the date of this notice. If an objection is received, the amendment must be reported to the Commission at the next regularly scheduled meeting. This amendment has been considered IMMATERIAL for the following reason(s):

The proposed route where the temporary pipeline will be placed is located along existing footpaths. Temporary wooden bridges will be installed across sensitive wetland areas and tidal channels located along the proposed route to avoid fill impacts to wetland ESHA. Both pumps will be manually controlled, and several people will be monitoring the pumping operation during construction and will immediately shut off the pumps if a spill is detected. The concrete pumping operation is expected to take approximately 5 hours to complete, and the work will be conducted during low to medium tides only. The approved SWPPP and the approved Spill Prevention, Containment, and Countermeasure Plan include BMPs applicable to the proposed concrete pumping operation. In the event of a spill outside of a containment area, the immediate area will be contained, the concrete allowed to dry and then removed. Therefore, the Executive Director has determined that the requested amendment is not a material change to the permit.

If you have any questions about the proposal or wish to register an objection, please contact Melissa Kraemer at the North Coast District office.

cc: Local Planning Dept.

S.H.N. Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Attn: Rosalind Litzky

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