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NORTH CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

*For the
October Meeting of the California Coastal Commission*

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 07, 2014

TO: Commissioners and Interested Parties
FROM: Dan Carl, North Central 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 Central Coast District Office for the October 2014 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 Central Coast District.

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>
2-14-1557-W Marin County Open Space District, Attn: Linda Dahl	Implementation of treatment methods to control two invasive hybrid Spartina (cordgrass) colonies (less than 1200 square feet in size) including tarping and direct backpack spray application of the herbicide imazapyr, associated mitigation measures and pre- and post- treatment monitoring, in northeastern Bolinas Lagoon	Bolinas Lagoon, near Shoreline Hwy (Hwy 1) & Fairfax-Bolinas Rd, Bolinas, Marin County 06041-195-290-08, 06041-195-290-09, 06041-195-290-10

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT WAIVER

Date: September 23, 2014

To: All Interested Parties

From: Nancy Cave, North Central Coast District Manager *Nancy Cave*
Mary Matella, Coastal Planner

Subject: Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Waiver 2-14-1557W
Applicant: Marin County Open Space District

Proposed Development

Implementation of treatment methods to control two invasive hybrid Spartina (cordgrass) colonies (less than 1200 square feet in size) including tarping and direct backpack spray application of the herbicide imazapyr, associated mitigation measures, and pre- and post-treatment monitoring, in northeastern Bolinas Lagoon.

Executive Director's Waiver Determination

Pursuant to Title 14, Section 13253 of the California Code of Regulations, and based on project plans and information submitted by the applicant regarding the proposed development, the Executive Director of the California Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a CDP for the following reasons:

The proposed project will facilitate restoration through invasive species removal. The goal of targeted tarping and herbicide treatment of discrete colonies in Bolinas Lagoon prior to the extensive "meadow" stage of invasion is intended to prevent the need for any future mass herbicide applications. As proposed, the project will not have any significant adverse impacts on coastal resources, including water quality and marine resources. The project includes best management practices to avoid and minimize potential impacts to the water quality and biological resources of Bolinas Lagoon. The herbicide imazapyr is considered safe for aquatic environments due to its inhibition of a particular enzyme present in plants, but not birds, mammals, fish or invertebrates. While the treatment colonies identified are small and herbicide spraying would occur almost entirely within the colony itself, any sensitive plants nearby will be avoided or protected by mitigation measures. All mixing of herbicide will occur offsite to avoid spills in or near the lagoon. The project has been reviewed and authorized by the Gulf of Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and is permitted by the State Water Resources Control Board through its affiliation with the Invasive Spartina Project's Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination (NPDES) permit for Residual Aquatic Pesticide Discharge to Waters of the United States from Algae and Aquatic Weed Control Applications. For the reasons above, the proposed project is consistent with Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act.

Coastal Commission Review Procedure

This waiver is not valid until the waiver has been reported to the Coastal Commission. This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission on October 10, 2014, in Newport Beach, Orange County. If three Commissioners object to this waiver at that time, then the application shall be processed as a regular CDP application.

If you have any questions about the proposal or wish to register an objection, please contact Mary Matella in the North Central Coast District office.