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**DATE:** May 19, 2017

**TO:** Coastal Commissioners and Interested Persons

**FROM:** Alison Dettmer, Deputy Director  
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**SUBJECT:** Extension of Time Limit for Commission Action on County of Del Norte  
Local Coastal Program Amendment LCP-1-DNC-17-0019-1 (Hambro Forest)

For the Commission meeting of June 8, 2017

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## LCP AMENDMENT DESCRIPTION

On March 9, 2017, the County of Del Norte (County) transmitted to the Commission LCP Amendment Application No. LCP-1-DNC-17-0019-1. The proposed LCP Amendment would amend the Implementation Plan (IP) portion of the certified Del Norte County LCP to rezone a 1.25-acre forested parcel at 600 Tedsen Lane off of Lake Earl Drive from RCA-1 (General Resource Conservation Area) and RRA-1 (Rural Residential Agriculture, 1 acre minimum lot size) to RCA-2(w) (Designated Resource Conservation Area – wetland), RCA-2(wb) (Designated Resource Conservation Area – wetland buffer), and RRA-1.

Coastal Act Section 30510 requires proposed LCP amendment submittals to contain materials sufficient for a thorough and complete review. Once that requirement is satisfied, and an amendment is deemed submitted (or “filed”), the Coastal Act requires the Commission to act on an IP amendment within 60 days (Coastal Act Sections 30510, 30513, and 30514). On May 16, 2017, the Commission staff deemed the proposed LCP Amendment submitted. The 60<sup>th</sup> day after the date this proposed LCP Amendment was deemed submitted is July 15, 2017. Unless the Commission extends the deadline, the Commission will need to complete its action on the proposed IP Amendment at the Commission’s July 12-14, 2017 hearing.

Coastal Act Section 30517 authorizes the Commission to extend, for good cause, the time limit for Commission action on the proposed LCP amendment for a period not to exceed a year. A one-year extension of time would result in a new Commission deadline of July 15, 2018. Although Commission staff is planning to bring the proposed LCP amendment forward to hearing well before the new deadline, and likely before the end of the year, staff recommends that the Commission extend the deadline for the full year as provided by the Coastal Act to allow for

uncertainty in the review process and needed coordination time. Flexibility for coordination with the County and other interested persons regarding the resolution of Coastal Act issues and potential suggested modifications will facilitate the ability of Commission staff to narrow as much as possible the issues that the Commission will need to resolve. Therefore, staff recommends that the Commission extend the deadline for Commission action on the County's proposed LCP amendment by one year.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Commission vote to extend the deadline for Commission action on the proposed LCP amendment by one year.

#### **Motion:**

*I move that the Commission extend the time limit to act on County of Del Norte Local Coastal Program Amendment No. LCP-1-DNC-17-0019-1 for a period of one year.*

Staff recommends a **YES** vote. Passage of this motion will result in a one year extension of the deadline for Commission action on the proposed LCP amendment, changing the deadline for Commission action from July 15, 2017 to July 15, 2018. An affirmative vote of a majority of the Commissioners present is needed to pass the motion.