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TO: Commissioners and  
Interested Persons

DATE: July 19, 2018

FROM: Staff

SUBJECT: Request to Waive Time Limit for City of San Diego LCP Amendment No. LCP-6-SAN-18-0049-1 (Vernal Pool Habitat Conservation Plan) for the Commission Meeting of August 8-10, 2018

On June 13, 2018, the City of San Diego Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment No. LCP-6-SAN-18-0049-1 was filed in the San Diego District office. The amendment involves adopting the Vernal Pool Habitat Conservation Plan (VPHCP) and the Vernal Pool Management and Monitoring Plan (VPMMP). The proposed amendment will affect the certified LCP Implementation Plan (IP) to add approximately 275 acres of lands with vernal pools – the majority of the land being outside the coastal zone – to the City’s existing Multi-Habitat Planning Area (MHPA) to implement a complementary set of protective regulations tailored to vernal pools and the sensitive species found therein.

Pursuant to Section 30513 of the Coastal Act, the Commission must act on implementation plan amendments within 60 days of filing. Based on the above-cited time limits, the proposed LCP amendment must be scheduled for review by the Commission at the August 8-10, 2018 meeting. However, Section 30517 of the Coastal Act and Section 13535(c) of the California Code of Regulations state that the Commission may extend for good cause any applicable time limits for a period not to exceed one year.

Commission staff is requesting the time extension due to insufficient staff time to adequately review the amendment and prepare a recommendation. There are only two other pending items from the City of San Diego: LCP-6-SAN-18-0047-1 (11<sup>th</sup> LDC Update) and LCP-6-SAN-18-0048-1 (Affordable Housing Regulations). Staff is also requesting a separate 1-year time extension for the 11<sup>th</sup> LDC Update on the August agenda, but is preparing a staff recommendation for Commission consideration and possible action for the Affordable Housing Regulations item on the August agenda. The requested time will allow for Commission review and resolution of any issues or address scheduling conflicts that may arise. Staff therefore recommends the Commission extend the 60-day time limit for one year.

**MOTION:**

I move that the Commission extend the 60-day time limit to act on the City of San Diego LCP Amendment No. LCP-6-SAN-18-0049-1 for one year.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

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