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## Coastal Development Permit De Minimis Waiver Coastal Act Section 30624.7

Based on the project plans and information provided in your permit application for the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit pursuant to Section 13238.1, Title 14, California Code of Regulations. If, at a later date, this information is found to be incorrect or the plans revised, this decision will become invalid; and, any development occurring must cease until a coastal development permit is obtained or any discrepancy is resolved in writing.

**Waiver:** 1-18-0061-W

**Applicant:** California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), District 1, Attn.: Frank Demling

**Location:** 33800 Albion Ridge Rd, between PM (post marker) 43.3 and PM 44.2 at Albion River Bridge (Bridge #10-0136), Albion (APN(s): 123-040-07 and 123-170-01)

**Proposed Development:** Use hand tools to re-contour the sand in an area previously-excavated without benefit of a coastal development permit, located adjacent and west of the base of the Albion River Bridge. The re-contouring will occur within an approximately 1,250-square-foot area along a portion of a dune/berm feature to restore a more uniform surface on the top of the dune feature. Plantings (iceplant) that were previously removed from the site will be placed atop the re-contoured surface and allowed to re-establish. The work does not include approval of any phase of the proposed future bridge rehabilitation/replacement project.

**Rationale:** The re-contouring will occur in an area where preliminary excavation of material was initiated in association with proposed archaeological investigation activities but in advance of obtaining the necessary coastal development permit. The proposed re-contouring work will utilize hand tools (e.g., rakes and shovels) to restore the dune topography to a more uniform surface. Work will be conducted without the use of any mechanical equipment, by up to nine people at a time, and is expected to be completed within 1 day.

The proposed development will not adversely impact coastal resources, public access, or public recreation opportunities, and is consistent with past Commission actions in the area and Chapter Three policies of the Coastal Act.

This waiver will not become effective until reported to the Commission at its meeting and the site of the proposed development has been appropriately noticed, pursuant to 13054(b) of the California

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Code of Regulations. The Notice of Pending Permit shall remain posted at the site until the waiver has been validated and no less than seven days prior to the Commission hearing. If four (4) Commissioners object to this waiver of permit requirements, a coastal development permit will be required.

Sincerely,

John Ainsworth  
Executive Director



Tamara Gedik  
Coastal Program Analyst

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