

LEVEL I COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REPORT

DATE:

MARCH 30, 2016

TO:

HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF HARBOR

COMMISSIONERS

BACKGROUND

In accordance with the approved Port of Los Angeles Master Plan (PMP), the Executive Director is designated with the authority to approve or deny applications for Level I Coastal Development Permits (CDP), but these CDPs only become effective when the permits are reported in writing to the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board). No Board action is required. Additionally, the PMP provides that a Level I CDP that is being reported to the Board can be stayed if any two Board members so request. In this case, the CDP would be agendized for the next regular Board meeting and would require Board action to be approved or denied.

PERMIT ACTIONS

The Executive Director has approved two Level I CDPs:

CDP No. 16-06 Pacific Maritime Association – Creation of Overflow Parking for the New International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) Dispatch Hall

CDP No. 16-08 US Borax – Installation of Air Compressor, Conveyors, Dust Collectors, Truck Scale, and Loading Platform for Dry Bulk Operation

The project locations for the approved CDPs are identified on the attached map (Transmittal 1).

CDP No. 16-06 Pacific Maritime Association – Creation of Overflow Parking for the New International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) Dispatch Hall

CDP No. 16-06 (Transmittal 2) allows for creation of overflow parking for the new International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) dispatch hall by striping and

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improving existing pavement, constructing a new curb-cut and sidewalk to Henry Ford Avenue, installing lot lighting, and installing fencing for approximately 250 parking spaces as outlined in the Application for Port Permit (APP) No. 160203-018. The fence will be chain-link and will be approximately six feet high. All of the proposed items were not examined in the original ILWU Local 13 Dispatch Hall Project Mitigation Negative Declaration and are assessed in the addendum that was completed on March 16, 2016.

The Environmental Management Division has completed and posted a March 16, 2016 Addendum to the previously approved ILWU Local 13 Dispatch Hall Project Mitigated Negative Declaration to assess the potential environmental impacts of the proposed overflow parking lot.

The estimated project cost is \$364,000 and will be paid by Pacific Maritime Association but reimbursed by the Harbor Department through monthly rent credits.

CDP No. 16-08 Rio Tinto Minerals (US Borax) – Installation of Air Compressor, Conveyors, Dust Collectors, Truck Scale, and Loading Platform for Dry Bulk Operation

CDP No. 16-08 (Transmittal 3) allows Rio Tinto Minerals (US Borax) to install a 200hp air compressor, two dense phase conveyors, two dust collectors, truck scale, and a loading platform for which are minor alterations to the existing dry bulk operation at Berth 165 as outlined in Application for Port Permit (APP) No. 160128-017. The proposed minor alterations will provide an air quality and traffic benefit by allowing product that is currently transported to the Port from Boron by truck (approximately 150 miles away) to instead be brought by rail to the Port area. The product would then be loaded onto trucks locally for the short trip to various container terminals for export. Loading of the material near the Port will also allow the truck to utilize overweight corridors which will allow the trucks to be loaded with more material, reducing the total number of annual truck trips by 25 percent. The alterations will not expand operations.

As this activity comprises exterior alterations involving minor construction where there will be negligible or no expansion of use, the Environmental Management Division has determined that the proposed project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article III Class 1(1) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

Harbor Department funds are not needed. The estimated project cost is \$1.3 million and will be borne by US Borax.

TRANSMITTALS

- 1. Site Location Map
- 2. CDP No. 16-06
- 3. CDP No. 16-08

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CA Approval: (initials)

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