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Office of Planning and Research
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Sacramento, CA 95814

**NOTICE OF INTENT
TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Project Title: California Lost Fishing Gear Recovery Project

Project Location: California state marine waters from the Oregon border to the border with Mexico including coastal bays such as San Francisco and San Diego and from the intertidal zone to a maximum water depth of 400 feet.

County: All coastal and San Francisco Bay counties

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 2100 et seq.), the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14 Code of Regulations Section 1500 et seq.), and the University of California Procedures for the Implementation of CEQA, a Draft Initial Study for the above-named project was prepared (please see enclosure). The document identifies and evaluates the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. The university proposes to prepare a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project.

Project Description

The proposed project would be located in state marine waters of California off the approximately 1,100-mile coastline from the Oregon border to the international border with Mexico and from the intertidal zone to maximum water depth of 400 feet. UC Davis will operate a program to remove lost fishing gear from state marine waters in order to improve habitat and recreational resources. The project will include recovery efforts of lost fishing using underwater divers and a support vessel. The Initial Study identifies one potentially significant impact to the White abalone (*Haliotis sorensi*) and incorporates a mitigation measure to decrease the potential impact to a less-than-significant level.

Environmental Review and Comment

The Draft Initial Study for the proposed project was prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), state and University of California guidelines for implementation of CEQA. Based on the analysis presented in the Draft Initial Study, it has been determined that one potentially significant impact could result from potential disturbance to the White abalone (*Haliotis sorensi*). However, the inclusion of a mitigation measure would reduce this potential impact to a less-than-significant level by avoiding all contact and disturbance to the White abalone. Based on the analysis in the Initial Study, the University of California has determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration will be prepared for this project.

The Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project will be circulated for public and agency review from July 3, 2008 to August 1, 2008. Copies of the document are available online at <http://www.ormp.ucdavis.edu/environreview/>. Additionally, copies of the document and reference materials for the Draft Initial Study are available by contacting Matt Dulcich in the UC Davis Office of Resource Management and Planning at (530) 752-9597 or by email medulcich@ucdavis.edu.

Comments on this document must be received by 5:00 p.m. on August 1, 2008. They can be e-mailed to environreview@ucdavis.edu or sent to:

Attn: Sid England
University of California
One Shields Avenue
Davis, CA 95616

Sincerely,



John A. Meyer
Vice Chancellor—Resource Management and Planning

Enclosures: 15 copies of the Draft Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration
1 Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal Form

c: Notice of Intent, Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal Form,
and Draft Initial Study sent to addresses on the attached list

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P. O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613
For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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Project Title: California Lost Fishing Gear Recovery Project

Lead Agency: UC Davis
Mailing Address: 1 Shields Avenue, University of California
City: Davis
Zip: 95616
County: all
Contact Person: Sid England
Phone: 530-752-2432

Project Location: County: multiple
City/Nearest Community: multiple
Cross Streets: not available
Zip Code: 95616
Lat. / Long.:
Assessor's Parcel No.: not available
Section:
Twp.:
Range:
Base:
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #:
Waterways:
Airports:
Railways:
Schools:

Document Type:

- CEQA: [] NOP [] Draft EIR [] NEPA: [] NOI [] Other: [] Joint Document
[] Early Cons [] Supplement/Subsequent EIR [] EA [] Final Document
[] Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) [] Draft EIS [] Other
[] Mit Neg Dec [] Other [] FONSI

Local Action Type:

- [] General Plan Update [] Specific Plan [] Rezone [] Annexation
[] General Plan Amendment [] Master Plan [] Prezone [] Redevelopment
[] General Plan Element [] Planned Unit Development [] Use Permit [] Coastal Permit
[] Community Plan [] Site Plan [] Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) [] Other Approval

Development Type:

- [] Residential: Units Acres
[] Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
[] Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
[] Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
[] Educational
[] Recreational
[] Water Facilities: Type MGD
[] Transportation: Type
[] Mining: Mineral
[] Power: Type MW
[] Waste Treatment: Type MGD
[] Hazardous Waste: Type
[] Other: Recovery of Lost Fishing Gear

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

- [] Aesthetic/Visual [] Fiscal [] Recreation/Parks [] Vegetation
[] Agricultural Land [] Flood Plain/Flooding [] Schools/Universities [] Water Quality
[] Air Quality [] Forest Land/Fire Hazard [] Septic Systems [] Water Supply/Groundwater
[] Archeological/Historical [] Geologic/Seismic [] Sewer Capacity [] Wetland/Riparian
[] Biological Resources [] Minerals [] Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading [] Wildlife
[] Coastal Zone [] Noise [] Solid Waste [] Growth Inducing
[] Drainage/Absorption [] Population/Housing Balance [] Toxic/Hazardous [] Land Use
[] Economic/Jobs [] Public Services/Facilities [] Traffic/Circulation [] Cumulative Effects
[] Other

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

not applicable

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

UC Davis would conduct a project to recover lost fishing gear to enhance habitat and remove potential underwater hazards. The project would be located in state marine waters of California from the Oregon border to the border with Mexico including coastal bays such as San Francisco and San Diego and from the intertidal zone to a maximum depth of 400 feet. The project would include location and recovery of lost fishing gear to improve habitat quality and reduce marine hazards.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X".
If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S".


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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Resources Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Historic Preservation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning (Headquarters) | <input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # <u>1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers and Mtns Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # <u>3, 5, 7</u> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry & Fire Protection | <input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>See attached distribution list</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Integrated Waste Management Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Emergency Services | |

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date July 3, 2008 Ending Date August 1, 2008

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: _____ Applicant: _____
 Address: _____ Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
 Contact: _____ Phone: _____
 Phone: _____

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 7-3-08

Mailing List for UC Davis Lost Fishing Gear Recovery Project Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration

Agency List	Mailing Address
California Air Resources Board	California Air Resources Board 1001 "I" Street P.O. Box 2815 Sacramento, CA 95812
California Boating and Waterways	California Boating and Waterways 2000 Evergreen St. Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95815
California Coastal Commission	California Coastal Commission 45 Fremont Street, Suite 2000 San Francisco, CA 94105-2219
California Fish and Game Region 3	California Fish and Game Region 3 7329 Silverado Trail Napa, CA 94558
California Fish and Game Region 5	California Fish and Game 5 4949 Viewridge Avenue San Diego, CA 92123
California Fish and Game Region 7	California Fish and Game Region 7 20 Lower Ragsdale Drive, Suite 100 Monterey, CA 93940
California Parks and Recreation	California Dept. of Parks and Recreation 1416 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814
Office of Historic Preservation	Hans Kreutzberg Office of Historic Preservation P.O. Box 942896 Sacramento, CA 94296-0001
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 1	North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A Santa Rosa, California 95403
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 2	San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board 1515 Clay St Suite 1400 Oakland, CA 94612
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 3	Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 4	Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 8	Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board 3737 Main Street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501-3348
Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 9	San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, CA. 92123-4340
SF BCDC	San Francisco BCDC 50 California Street, Suite 2600, San Francisco CA 94111

State Lands Commission	State Lands Commission 100 Howe Ave Suite 100 South Sacramento, CA 95825-8202
SWRCB: Water Quality	Phil Zeniner State Water Resources Control Board Division of Water Quality P.O. Box 100 Sacramento, CA 95801
Regional Air Quality District, Bay Area	Bay Area AQMD 939 Ellis Street San Francisco, CA 94109-7799
Regional Air Quality District, San Diego	San Diego County APCD 10124 Old Grove Road San Diego, CA 92131-1649
Regional Air Quality District, San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo County APCD 3433 Roberto Court San Luis Obispo, CA 93401-7126
Regional Air Quality District, Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara County APCD 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite A Santa Barbara, CA 93110-1315
Regional Air Quality District, South Coast	South Coast AQMD 21865 E. Copley Dr. Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4182
Regional Air Quality District, Ventura	Ventura County APCD 669 County Square Drive, 2nd Floor Ventura, CA 93003-5417
Regional Air Quality District, Mendocino	Mendocino County AQMD 306 E. Gobbi St. Ukiah, CA 95482-5511
Regional Air Quality District, Monterey	Monterey Bay Unified APCD 24580 Silver Cloud Ct. Monterey, CA 93940-6536
Regional Air Quality District, North Coast	North Coast Unified AQMD 2300 Myrtle Avenue Eureka, CA 95501-3327
NOAA--National Marine Sanctuaries	National Marine Sanctuaries West Coast Regional Office 99 Pacific Street, Bldg. 200, Suite K Monterey, CA 93940
US Fish and Wildlife Service	US Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 8 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento CA 95825
US Coast Guard	US Coast Guard Environmental Management Division (G-SEC-3), 2100 2nd St, SW, Washington DC 20593-0001
US Coast Guard	Commander, US Coast Guard 11th District Coast Guard Island Alameda, CA 94501
US Navy	Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO-N45), Environmental Planning/NEPA Lead, Operational Environmental Readiness & Planning, Ste #2000, Navy Pentagon (NC1 Suite #2000), Washington DC 22202-3735
US Navy	NAVFAC Southwest EBL 1220 Pacific Highway San Diego, CA 92132-5190

National Park Service	Pacific West Region National Park Service 1111 Jackson Street, Suite 700 Oakland, CA 94607
NOAA—National Marine Protected Areas	NOAA—National Marine Protected Areas 99 Pacific Street, Suite 100-F Monterey, CA 93940
NOAA-NMFS	Southwest Regional Office—NMFS 501 West Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, CA 90802-4213
NOAA--National Marine Sanctuaries	National Marine Sanctuaries West Coast Regional Office 99 Pacific Street, Bldg. 200, Suite K Monterey, CA 93940
UC—Bocchicchio	Michael J. Bocchicchio Asst. Vice President – Facilities Administration University of California, Office of the President 1111 Franklin Street 6th Floor #6201 Oakland, CA 94607-5200
UC—Holst	James E. Holst Office of the General Counsel of The Regents University of California 300 Lakeside Drive, 7th Floor Oakland, CA 94612-3550
Native American Heritage Commission	State of California Native American Heritage Commission 915 Capitol Mall, Room 364 Sacramento, CA 95814
DTSC	Department of Toxic Substances Control 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814-2828
Department of Conservation	Rosanne Taylor Department of Conservation 801 K Street, MS-24-02 Sacramento, CA 95814
California Integrated Waste Management Board	Sue O'Leary Permitting and Inspection Branch, MS #15 California Integrated Waste Management Board 1001 I Street PO Box 4025 Sacramento, California 95812-4025
Lois Wolk	The Honorable Lois Wolk California State Assembly State Capital Sacramento, CA 95814
US Department of the Interior Minerals Management Service	US Department of the Interior Minerals Management Service 770 Paseo Camarillo, 2nd Floor Camarillo, CA 93010

County list- County Mailing Address for each of the following California Counties

County	Address
Alameda	Alameda County Office County Clerk 1106 Madison St Ste 400 Oakland, CA 94607
Contra Costa	Contra Costa County Clerk 822 Main St Martinez, CA 94553
Del Norte	Del Norte County Clerk/Recorder-Public Administrator 981 H Street, Suite 160 Crescent City, CA 95531
Humboldt	Humboldt County Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters 3033 H Street Eureka, CA 95501
Los Angeles	Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk 12400 Imperial Highway Norwalk, CA 90650
Marin	Marin County Clerk 3501 Civic Center Drive Room #247 San Rafael, CA 94903
Mendocino	Mendocino County Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder 501 Low Gap Rd., Room 1020 Ukiah, CA 95482
Monterey	Monterey County Government Center Administration Building 168 West Alisal Street, 1st Floor, Salinas, CA 93901
Orange	Old Orange County Courthouse 211 West Santa Ana Blvd. Santa Ana, CA 92701
Orange	Orange Hall of Records and Finance 12 Civic Center Plaza, Rooms 101 and 106 Santa Ana, CA 92701
San Diego	San Digeo County Administration Center 1600 Pacific Hwy, Room 273 San Diego, CA 92101
San Francisco	San Francisco Office of The Assessor-Recorder 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 190 San Francisco, CA 94102-4698
San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo Office 1055 Monterey Street, Room D120 San Luis Obispo, CA 93408-3237
San Mateo	San Mateo County Clerk's Office 555 County Center, First Floor Redwood City, CA 94063-1665
Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara Hall of Records 1100 Anacapa Santa Barbara, CA 93102-0159
Santa Clara	Santa Clara County Clerk-Recorder's Office 70 West Hedding Street, East Wing, First floor San Jose CA 95110
Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz County Clerk 701 Ocean St., Room 210 Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Sonoma	Sonoma County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor 2300 County Center Drive, Suite B177 Santa Rosa, California 95403
Ventura	Ventura County County Clerk Hall of Administration, Main Plaza 800 S Victoria Ave Ventura, CA 93009 -1012