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AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER STIPULATION FOR ENTRY OF JUDGMENT IN SETTLEMENT OF DELTA FARMS RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 2028 V. STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT NO. 97183

The State of California is defendant in a quiet title action entitled Delta Farms Reclamation Distric No. 2028 v. State of California, San Joaquin County Superior No. 97183. The property in question is a berm in Old River lying offshore of Bacon Island in San Joaquin County. The Reclamation District claims the berm as successor under a patent from the State of swamp and overflowed land. The State claims that the berm is sovereign land or, in the alternative, that it was not included in the swamp and overflowed land patent.

The litigation involves the resolution of various disputed issues of fact and law, and its outcome, were it to be pursued to final judgment in court, is uncertain. Accordingly, the District and the Commission's staff have arraved at a compromise settlement whereby title to a portion of the berm above the existing ordinary high water mark will be quieted in the State, to be held subject to the public trust for commerce, navigation, and fishery. Title to the remainder of the berm above the existing ordinary high water mark will be quieted in the Reclamation District. Roughly 3/5 of the 49-acre berm will be in State ownership as a result of the settlement.

The settlement will be accomplished by entry into a stipulation for entry of judgment. A copy of the proposed stipulation for entry of judgment is on file in the office of the State Lands Commission in Sacramento. The stipulation has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the Attorney General. In the opinion of the Commission's staff and of the Office of the Attorney General, the proposed settlement is in the best interests of the State and the public.

EXHIBITS:

A. Location Map.

B. Boundary Plat.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. AUTHORIZE EXECUTION BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE STIPULATION FOR ENTRY OF JUDGMENT ON FILE IN THE OFFICE

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OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION IN DELTA FARMS RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 2028 v. STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SAN JOAOUIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT NO. 97183.

- 2. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY, INCLUDING LITIGATION, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE STIPULATION FOR ENTRY OF JUDGMENT.
- 3. AUTHORIZE THE APPROVAL OF THE PLAT TITLED "BOUNDARY LINE ON BERM N ESTABLISHED BY STIPULATED JUDGEMENT IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. 97183".
- 4. AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF THE PLAT REFERRED TO IN NO. 3 ABOVE WITH THE COUNTY SURVEYOR OR COUNTY RECORDER OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

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