

**CALENDAR ITEM  
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**GENERAL LEASE - PUBLIC AGENCY USE**

**APPLICANT:**

County of Yolo, Attn: Department of Public Works  
292 West Beamer Street  
Woodland, CA 95695

**AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:**

Sovereign lands in Elk Slough on County Road 158, near the town of Courtland,  
Yolo County.

**AUTHORIZED USE:**

Continued use and maintenance of an existing bridge as shown on Exhibit A.

**LEASE TERM:**

25 years, beginning March 25, 2008.

**CONSIDERATION:**

The public use and benefit; with the State reserving the right at any time to set a monetary rent if the Commission finds such action to be in the State's best interest.

**OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:**

1. Applicant owns the uplands adjoining the lease premises.
2. On March 25, 1959, the Commission authorized a General Lease – Public Agency Use with the county of Yolo. That lease expired on March 24, 2008. The Applicant is now applying for a new General Lease – Public Agency Use.
3. The bridge span crossing Elk Slough was constructed in 1957 with a total length of 226.5 feet and a width of 32.7 feet of which approximately 200 feet of length crosses land under the jurisdiction of the Commission. The Bridge crossing is a section of rural Courtland Road between the Sacramento River and Jefferson Boulevard. On January 3, 2008, an

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inspection of the Bridge was conducted by the California Department of Transportation and no substantive issues were found. An underwater investigation was also performed and revealed the pilings to be in good condition.

4. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 1, Existing Facilities; Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905 (a)(2).

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15300 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905.

5. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

**EXHIBITS:**

- A. Site and Location Map
- B. Land Description

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

**CEQA FINDING:**

FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 1, EXISTING FACILITIES; TITLE 2, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 2905 (a)(2).

**SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:**

FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE USE CLASSIFICATION DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE LAND PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTIONS 6370, ET SEQ.

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**AUTHORIZATION:**

AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF A GENERAL LEASE – PUBLIC AGENCY USE TO THE COUNTY OF YOLO BEGINNING MARCH 25, 2008, FOR A TERM OF 25 YEARS, FOR AN EXISTING BRIDGE AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A (FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES ONLY) AND AS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT B ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; CONSIDERATION BEING THE PUBLIC USE AND BENEFIT, WITH THE STATE RESERVING THE RIGHT AT ANY TIME TO SET A MONETARY RENT IF THE COMMISSION FINDS SUCH ACTION TO BE IN THE STATE'S BEST INTEREST.