

May 22, 2019

Richard Greenwood
California State Lands Commission
200 Oceangate, 12th floor
Long Beach, CA 90802-4331

Dear Mr. Greenwood,

I am writing in accordance with the California State Lands Commission Geophysical Survey Permit No. 9235, to notify you of a survey in relation to the Cayucos Project. The surveys are scheduled to be conducted from September 1-30th, 2019 between the hours of 8am and 7pm.

Please find the required documentation pertaining to this notification attached. If additional information is required, please don't hesitate to contact our offices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erik Mueller', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Erik Mueller

EXHIBIT G

California State Lands Commission Presurvey Notice Requirements for Permittees to Conduct Geophysical Survey Activities

All parts of the Presurvey Notice must be adequately filled out and submitted to the CSLC staff a minimum of twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the proposed survey date to ensure adequate review and approval time for CSLC staff. Note that one or more of the items may require the Permittee to plan well in advance in order to obtain the necessary documentation prior to the Notice due date (e.g., permits from other State or Federal entities).

Please use the boxes below to verify that all the required documents are included in the Presurvey Notice. If "No" is checked for any item, please provide an explanation in the space provided. If additional space is needed, please attach separate pages.

Yes No

- Geophysical Survey Permit Exhibit F
- Survey Location (including a full-sized navigation chart and GPS coordinates for each proposed track line and turning point)
Explanation: _____
- Permit(s) or Authorization from other Federal or State agencies (if applicable)
Explanation: *N/A* _____
- 21-Day Written Notice of Survey Operations to Statewide Geophysical Coordinator/
- U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners/
- Harbormaster and Dive Shop Notifications
Explanation: _____
- Marine Wildlife Contingency Plan
Explanation: _____
- Oil Spill Contingency Plan
Explanation: _____
- Verification of California Air Resources Board's Tier 2-Certified Engine Requirement
Explanation: *Engine is gasoline fueled and exempt from Tier 2 Certification.* _____
- Verification of Equipment Service and/or Maintenance (must verify sound output)
Explanation: _____
- Permit(s) or Authorization from California Department of Fish and Wildlife for surveys in or affecting Marine Protected Area(s) (if applicable)
Explanation: *N/A* _____

NOTE: CSLC staff will also require verification that current biological information was obtained and transmitted as outlined in Section 5 of this permit.

EXHIBIT F

PRESURVEY NOTIFICATION FORM

Applicant/Permittee's Mailing Address _____ Date: 5/22/19
eTrac, Inc. _____ Jurisdiction: Federal _____ State _____ Both _____
637 Lindaro St. Ste 100 _____ If State: Permit #PRC 9235
San Rafael, CA 94901 _____ Region: _____
Area: _____

GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY PERMIT

Check one: New survey _____ Time extension of a previous survey _____

eTrac, Inc. will conduct a geophysical survey offshore California in the survey area outlined on the accompanying navigation chart segment. If you foresee potential interference with commercial fishing or other activities, please contact the person(s) listed below:

FEDERAL WATERS (outside 3 nautical miles)

- 1) Applicant's representative
- 2) Federal representative (e.g., Bureau of Ocean Energy Management [BOEM] or National Science Foundation [NSF])

NOTE: Any comments regarding potential conflicts in Federal waters must be received by the Applicant's Representative and lead Federal agency within ten (10) days of the receipt of this notice.

STATE WATERS (Inside 3 nautical miles)

- 1) Permittee's representative
- 2) CSLC representative

NOTE: Any comments regarding potential conflicts in State waters should be received as soon as possible by the Permittee's representative, no more than fifteen (15) days after the receipt of this notice.

- 1. Expected Date of Operation September 1-30, 2019
- 2. Hours of Operation 8am-7pm
- 3. Vessel Name M/V Tikaani
- 4. Vessel Official Number AK 8598 AG
- 5. Vessel Radio Call Sign Tikaani
- 6. Vessel Captain's Name Shaun Akins
- 7. Vessel will monitor Radio Channel(s) 16
- 8. Vessel Navigation System POS MV GNSS

9. Equipment to be used Multibeam

- a. Frequency (Hz, kHz) 400kHz
- b. Source level (dB re 1 Pa at 1 meter (m) [root mean square (rms)]) μ 219db
- c. Number of beams, across track beamwidth, and along track beamwidth 256, 1°, 1°
- d. Pulse rate and length 40Hz (25ms); length= 150 sec
- e. Rise time -0.05ms, 165 sec
- f. Estimated distances to the 190 dB, 180 dB, and 160 dB re 1 μ Pa (rms) isopleths μ _____
- g. Deployment depth Vessel Mounted-1m
- h. Tow speed Vessel Mounted-4knt
- i. Approximate length of cable tow Vessel Mounted

eTrac's Representative:

Erik Mueller
COO
637 Lindero St #100
San Rafael, CA 94901
415-462-0421

California State Lands Representative

Richard B. Greenwood
Statewide Geophysical Coordinator
200 Oceangate, 12th Floor
Long Beach, CA 90802-4331
(562) 590-5201

BOEM Representative

Joan Barminski
Regional Supervisor
Office of Strategic Resources
770 Paseo Camarillo
Camarillo, CA 93010
(805) 389-7585

Other Federal Representative (if not BOEM):

Pre-Survey Notification Information

Purpose and Objectives

1. Reason for the survey: Pre Decomission Survey
2. Types of data collected: Multibeam echosounder data-Bathymetry
3. Layout (including spatial information of survey track lines)
 - a. GPS Coordinates/GIS Files: See Attachment
 - b. Map/chart: See Attachment

** For Dredge Monitoring and Coastal Structure Surveys, Exhibit F and the questions above must be submitted at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to commencing survey operations, whenever feasible, otherwise as soon as possible.*

For all other surveys, the following documents must also be provided, along with the above questions and Exhibits F & G:

- Marine Wildlife Monitors Qualifications
- Potentially Affected Pinniped Haul-Out Sites
- Nearest Emergency Medical Facility



Juliette G <juliette@etracinc.com>

Pre-Survey Notification Packet

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Wed, May 22, 2019 t 2:37 PM

To: lowe@mo ob y .gov, D11LNM@u g.mil, loo e u e t @aol. oms

To whom it m y o e :

Att hed i the P e-Su vey Notifi tio P ket fo b themet i u vey heduled to be o du ted by eT , .du i g the pe iod of 5/13/19-9/30/19. Thi i fo i fo maio l pu po e o ly - NO ACT ON S REQU RED.

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Th k you,

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Juliette Goyhenetche-Gibson

Safety/Administrative

Mobile: (707) 280-3245

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Coordinates: (If standing on beach viewing ocean.)

Top Right: 35° 24' 57.03" N, 120° 53' 47.65" W

Top Left: 35° 23' 59.79" N, 120° 53' 29.32" W

Middle Left: 35° 24' 09.27" N, 120° 52' 55.37" W

Bottom Left: 35° 24' 29.42" N, 120° 52' 29.76" W

Bottom Right: 35° 24' 50.18" N, 120° 52' 38.89" W

Middle Right: 35° 25' 00.25" N, 120° 53' 28.24" W



Marine Wildlife Contingency Plan

This Marine Wildlife Contingency Plan (MWCP) is designed to act as a general guide for all geophysical survey operations conducted at eTrac, Inc. It is intended to provide guidance to all crew members and field personnel to minimize or avoid any interaction with marine wildlife that may occur during geophysical surveys. Project specific information required for the Pre-Survey Notification package is located in the appendices of this document.

Prior to the commencement of any project all crew members will review the MWCP and ensure they are familiar with all practices and procedures.

Safe Work Practices

1. Marine Wildlife Monitors (MWMs)

- a. Onboard MWMs will notify the vessel operator if a marine mammal or reptile is observed in the path of the transiting vessel. In response, the vessel operator will slow the vessel and/or change course to avoid contact with the animal, unless those actions would jeopardize the safety of the vessel or crew.
- b. Based on the type of survey, one or two MWMs are required:

Frequencies	MWMs Required
<200kHz	Two
>200kHz	One*
Passive	One*

** This role can be fulfilled by a crew member*

- c. For surveys operating equipment at frequencies <200 kHz, MWMs are responsible for monitoring that all activities are maintaining at least the Safety Zone radius as outlined in the table below:

Equipment Type	Safety Zone (radius)
Single Beam Echosounder	50m
Multibeam Echosounder	500m
Side-Scan Sonar	600m
Subbottom Profiler	100m
Boomer	100m

If calculations/modeling shows that the equipment eTrac uses has a larger safety zone, then the larger safety zone will be observed. If a safety zone is required, the MWM(s) have the authority to stop all survey operations if a marine mammal or reptile is observed within the specified safety zone. The shutdown will continue until the animal is sighted outside the safety zone or has not been observed for 15 minutes.

- d. If an animal's actions are observed to be irregular, MWMs have the authority to recommend that the equipment be shut down until the animal moves further away from the sound source.
 - e. In addition to marine mammals and reptiles, MWMs will observe the area around the survey vessel for seabird activity and have the authority to stop or delay survey operations if unusual densities of diving birds/seabirds are identified.
 - f. MWMs have the authority to recommend cessation (or continuation) of operations during periods of limited visibility (e.g., fog, rain) based on the observed abundance of marine wildlife and their ability to view the safety zone (if a safety zone is required). Periodic reevaluation of weather conditions and reassessment of the continuation/cessation recommendation shall be completed by the MWMs.
 - g. Once the dates for a survey have been confirmed, a member of the crew will contact the NOAA Long Beach office staff and local whale watching operations to acquire information on the current composition and relative abundance of marine wildlife offshore and convey this information to the MWMs prior to commencement of survey activities. This will provide near real time information for those onboard the survey vessel about the spatial distribution of marine wildlife in the survey region.
 - h. Recordkeeping – At a minimum, MWMs are responsible for recording the following information, using the “Data Collection Guidelines for Marine Wildlife Monitors” provided by CSLC staff:
 - i. Descriptions of any encounters with marine mammals, reptiles, and/or unusual concentrations of diving birds/seabirds and the outcome of those encounters
 - ii. The number of times equipment shut-downs or vessel slow-downs were ordered due to animals being observed in the safety zone or due to poor visibility conditions
 - iii. When surveying near haul-out sites, a summary of observations of pinniped behavior at haul-out sites, and any recommendations made related to pinniped avoidance
 - iv. The number of collision events, if applicable, and the species and disposition of animal
 - v. Any additional information relevant or necessary for compliance with the post-survey reporting requirement identified in the General Permit
 - i. Qualifications are to be submitted with the Pre-Survey Notification packet located in **Appendix A.**
2. Marine Mammal and Reptile Collision Response and Reporting
- If a collision with an animal occurs, the vessel operator must document the following information:
- a. Name of vessel, vessel owner/operator, and captain officer in charge of the vessel at time of collision
 - b. Vessel location (latitude, longitude) when the collision occurred
 - c. Date and time of collision
 - d. Speed and heading of the vessel at the time of collision

- e. Observation conditions (e.g., wind speed and direction, swell height, visibility in miles or kilometers, and presence of rain or fog) at the time of collision
- f. Species of marine wildlife contacted (if known)
- g. Whether an observer was monitoring marine wildlife at the time of collision

After a collision, the vessel must stop, if safe to do so; however, the vessel is not obligated to stand by and may proceed after confirming that it will not further damage the animal by doing so. The vessel will then immediately communicate by radio or telephone all details to the vessel's base of operations, and will immediately report the incident. Consistent with Marine Mammal Protection Act requirements, the vessel's base of operations or, if an onboard telephone is available, the vessel captain will immediately call the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Stranding Coordinator to report the collision and follow any subsequent instructions.

From the report, the Stranding Coordinator will coordinate subsequent action, including enlisting the aid of marine mammal rescue organizations, if appropriate. From the vessel's base of operations, a telephone call will be placed to the Stranding Coordinator, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Region, Long Beach, to obtain instructions. Although NOAA has primary responsibility for marine mammals in both State and Federal waters, The California Department of Fish and Wildlife will also be advised that an incident has occurred in State waters affecting a protected species. Reports should be communicated to the agencies listed below:

<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>
Southwest Region National Marine Fisheries Service Long Beach, CA (562) 980-4017	Enforcement Dispatch Desk California Department of Fish and Wildlife Long Beach, CA (562) 598-1032 California State Lands Commission Division of Environmental Planning and Management Sacramento, CA (916) 574-0748 slc.ogpp@slc.ca.gov

3. Operating Procedures

- a. Soft Start - For all surveys using active geophysical equipment, a soft start technique is required at the beginning of survey activities each day or following a shut-down to allow any marine mammal that may be in the immediate area to leave before the sound sources reach full energy. Operators are required to initiate each piece of equipment at the lowest practical sound level, increasing output in such a manner as to increase in steps not exceeding approximately 6 dBs per 5-minute period. Thirty minutes prior to ramp-up operations, the MWM(s) will begin to visually monitor the safety zone and surrounding area for marine wildlife; if a marine mammal or reptile is sighted within or about to enter the safety zone during ramp-up, a shut-down or

power-down must be implemented as though the equipment was operating at full power. Initiation of ramp-up procedures from shut-down requires that the MWM(s) be able to visually observe the full safety zone.

- a. Vessel Transiting - When whales or other cetaceans (i.e., dolphins) are observed, the operator of the survey vessel will observe the following guidelines to reduce the potential for collision or disruption during vessel transit and survey operations:
 - i. Maintain a minimum distance of 100 yards
 - ii. Do not cross directly in front of or across their path
 - iii. Transit parallel to and at an equal or slower speed
 - iv. Avoid positioning in such a way to separate female from their calf(ves)
 - v. Do not use the vessel to herd or drive the animals
 - vi. If an animal engages in evasive or defensive action, slow the vessel and move away from the area until the animal calms or moves out of the area
5. Marine Protected Areas & Sanctuaries and Pinniped Haul-out Sites
- a. If a survey is planned for locations that may cross or affect Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) or National Marine Sanctuaries, eTrac, Inc. will coordinate with the California State Land Commission (CSLC), California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), and any other appropriate permitting agency. If deemed necessary by CDFW, eTrac, Inc. will pursue a Scientific Collecting Permit (SCP), or other appropriate authorization, to secure approval to work within a MPA, and provide a copy of such authorization to the CSLC as part of the Pre-Survey Notification Requirements.
 - b. Consistent with National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) guidelines, no survey vessels will approach within 91m of a haul-out site.
 - c. Survey activity close to haul-out sites shall be conducted in an expedited manner to minimize the potential for disturbance of pinnipeds on land.
6. Equipment – See **EXHIBIT F** for more details
- a. All electronics are marine rated
 - b. All cables are wet-mateable connectors with safeguards in place to avoid shorts/electricity into the water column
 - c. Cables are checked for nicks/kinks prior to mobilization and after demobilization
 - d. Continuity tests are done when system issues are detected immediately and equipment is removed from wet environment immediately

Nicholas P.J. George

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EXPERIENCE

Hydrographic Surveyor, 08/13- present. eTrac, Inc. (Bay Area, CA)

Responsibilities:

- Collect, process and generate products for hydrographic data sets.
- Develop and implement new technology and data processing techniques

Hydrographic Surveyor, 08/12- 08/13. Independent Contractor. (Global)

Responsibilities:

- Data processing and data QC
- Online subsea positioning and data collection
- Hydrographic data analysis and production of deliverables including charts and reports.

Hydrographic Surveyor 04/10- 08/12. MMT UK. (Oxford, UK)

Responsibilities:

- Manage and QC processed field survey data
- Train and manage the field hydrographers
- Prepare government hydrographic reports
- GIS database management

Research Assistant, 04/08- 04/10. James Cook University. (Townsville, Australia)

Responsibilities:

- GIS database management
- Processing of multibeam, backscatter and AUV imagery data
- Analyzed subbottom seismic data

EDUCATION

MappSc, GIS and Marine Science, James Cook University, Townsville, Australia (Oct 2009)

M.A., Geography, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK (June 2004)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS

- BOSIET basic offshore safety induction and emergency training with Norwegian extension
- First-Aid/CPR/AED Certified

RELEVANT TRAINING/SKILLS

Hardware: MultiBeam Sonars, Cable and Pipe Trackers, Gradiometers, Magnetometers, ROVs, Motion Reference Systems, Altitude and depth sensors, Doppler Velocity Logs, GPS positioning systems (DGPS, RTK, PPK), USBL systems (HiPAP, Sonadyne) Tide Gauges, Sound Velocity Probes (Valeport, Digibar, AML), LandMark Marine LiDAR, Riegl LiDAR, SingleBeam, SideScan Sonars, Subbottom profilers

Software: MS Office, QINSy, CARIS HIPS&SIPS, Fledermaus, VisualEditPro, EIVA Naviedit & Navimodel, HYPACK, HYSWEEP, AutoCAD, ArcGIS

Courses:

56th UNB-OMG/UNH-CCOM Multibeam Sonar Training Course – Southampton, 2011

Applanix POSMV, POSPac, LandMark Marine Training Course – Oxford 2012

QPS QINSy 5 day training course - QPS UK, 2011

IVS3D Fledermaus, DMagic, Geocoder 7 day training course – University of Sydney, 2009

Hydrographic Surveys Division's (HSD) Operations Branch – Marine Wildlife Monitor, Trained Observer



Spill Contingency Plan

The best defense for spill containment is prevention. eTrac is dedicated to establishing safe and functional work practices that eliminate or greatly reduce the risk of a contaminant spill of any size. This plan is designed to offer guidance and the necessary contact information in the event of a spill. Prior to launching the vessel for any activity, the entire crew must review this Plan and ensure all members understand the procedures to be implemented in the event of a spill, the location of all containment equipment and that all contact information is current.

Safe Work Practices

1. Vessel fueling shall only occur at an approved docking facility. No cross vessel fueling shall be allowed.

Containment Equipment and Procedures

Each vessel is equipped with a containment/clean up kit rated for 5 gallons of oil-based material. In the event of a hull breach, the potential spill would be beyond the scope of the crew's clean up capabilities and emergency services would be contacted immediately. In the event of an internal breach, the crew would contain the spill and disable all bilge pumps until they reached a site with adequate clean-up capabilities. Prior to launch, all containment equipment must be inspected and the storage location conveyed to all crew members.

Each kit includes (at least):

1. Gloves - 1 pair
2. Water-resistant sock booms - 2
3. Absorbent pads - 15
4. Disposal bags with fasteners - 2

In the event of a spill, the following steps must be taken:

1. Assess the immediate risks to personnel. The first priority is to ensure the safety of all crew members. If crew is uninjured and can safely contain and clean up the spill, proceed; otherwise attend to the injured and/or evacuate the area and contact emergency services (listed below).

ONLY if it is safe to do so;

2. Extinguish any sources of heat or flame and shut off all equipment/pumps.
3. Stop the spill at its source by covering holes, closing valves or clamping hoses.

4. Use sock booms and/or granular absorbent (if available) to prevent the spill from entering the water or to contain it in the water, then use absorbent pads to soak up the contaminant and place all soiled items in a disposal bag.
5. If the spill cannot be contained and cleaned up immediately, contact emergency services as soon as possible:

Parker Diving Service Sausalito, CA (415) 331-0329 (800) 464-3010	Patriot Environmental Services (800) 624-9136 MSRC (800) 645-7745
Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc Long Beach, CA (562) 624-4120 (800) 990-9930	NRC (800) 337-7455

5. Immediately following the confirmation that all personnel are safe and the spill has been contained and/or cleaned up to the best of their ability, the captain or a designated crew member must notify the appropriate parties (the same day)
 - a. The following information will be conveyed:
 - i. Name and contact information of the caller
 - ii. Location, date and time of the spill
 - iii. Material(s) spilled and estimated quantities
 - iv. Threatened wildlife, if any
 - v. Source of the spill, if known
 - vi. Containment and clean-up actions taken

b. The following parties will be notified:

eTrac

Project Manager: Nick George	1-415-462-0421
Erik Mueller	1-415-847-4786

State Agencies

California Office of Emergency Services (OES)	1-800-852-7550
West Coast Oil Spill hot-line	1-800-OILS-911
U.S. Coast Guard National Response Center	1-800-424-8802

Wildlife Rescue / Response Organizations

Oiled Wildlife Care Network	1-877-UCD-OWCN
Animal Advocates	1-323-651-1336
California Wildlife Center	1-818-222-2658

c. After taking the necessary actions, the spill will be reported in writing to the Governor's Office of Emergency Services on their forms.