NOTICE OF COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WAIVER

DATE:       June 28, 2007
TO:         Seaside Basin Watermaster, Attn: Dewey Evans, CEO
FROM:       Peter M. Douglas, Executive Director
SUBJECT:    Waiver of Coastal Development Permit
            Waiver De Minimis Number 3-07-021-W

Based on project plans and information submitted by the applicant(s) named below regarding the development described below, the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit, pursuant to Title 14, Section 13230 of the California Code of Regulations.

APPLICANT:  Seaside Basin Watermaster, Attn: Dewey Evans, CEO
LOCATION:   Fort Ord Dunes State Park (unincorporated area between Seaside & Marina, seaward of Highway 1), Fort Ord (Monterey County) (APNs 031-031-004, 031-041-005, 031-041-007, 031-051-001)
DESCRIPTION: Construction of four monitoring wells and ongoing monitoring for the purpose of detecting seawater intrusion in the Seaside Groundwater Basin.
RATIONALE:  The proposed seawater intrusion monitoring wells will not adversely effect coastal resources or public access to the shoreline. The wells would be located in Fort Ord Dunes State Park in existing paved areas that are accessed by existing roadways, and comprehensive construction measures to protect coastal resources are included as part of the proposed project. State Parks has not fully completed its planning for the park but has indicated that they will make use of many of the existing paved areas for future trails and related park infrastructure. The monitoring wells do not require significant access or ongoing attention, and their siting will not prejudice ongoing and more specific planning for the park in that respect. As such, the proposed development is consistent with the policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act.

IMPORTANT: This waiver is not valid unless the site has been posted AND until the waiver has been reported to the Coastal Commission. This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission at the meeting of Wednesday, July 11, 2007, in San Luis Obispo. If four Commissioners object to this waiver, a coastal development permit will be required.

Persons wishing to object to or having questions regarding the issuance of a coastal permit waiver for this project should contact the Commission office at the above address.

Sincerely,

PETER M. DOUGLAS
Executive Director

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District Manager

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