



Legislation Text

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Consider recommendations regarding Santa Cruz Island Communication Site License Agreement (R/P File No.: 003772), Second District, as follows:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the License Agreement between The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and the County of Santa Barbara allowing the County to use, operate, repair, maintain and upgrade an existing communication facility in the Valley Peak area of Santa Cruz Island and to oversee the use, operations, installation and maintenance of the facility by public service agencies to: 1) facilitate the enhancement of communications for federal, state and local emergency response and public safety services to the Goleta, Santa Barbara and Carpinteria coastal areas and surrounding waterways, or 2) expand educational webcams and interactive programs from the island for the public and students;
- b) Approve and authorize the Director of General Services to execute on behalf of the Board of Supervisors the Sublicense Agreements between the County and interested public service agencies that will allow the sub licensees to use the communication facility for an initial term of five years with up to five automatically renewed five-year terms in exchange for sharing the related ongoing costs, or providing in lieu consideration(s), and responsibilities associated with maintenance and repair; and
- c) Determine that the proposed action of approving a License Agreement for use of an existing facility on Santa Cruz Island is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines, pursuant to Section 15301, existing facilities, finding that the action consists of leasing of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination and direct staff to file and post a Notice of Exemption on that basis.