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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

File Ref: A4612

Item: 09

**Title:** Issuance of General Lease – Other Use – A4612

**Location:** Sovereign tide and submerged land in the Pacific Ocean at various locations within the Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, Sonoma, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties

**Description:** Authorize issuance of a General Lease – Other Use to the Applicant beginning October 17, 2024, for a term of 5 years, for the removal of abandoned and derelict marine debris at 20 sites.

**Name of Approving Public Agency:** California State Lands Commission

**Name of Proponent (Person or Agency):** National Marine Sanctuary Foundation

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption:

CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2905, subd.(d)(2))

CLASS 30, MINOR ACTIONS TO PREVENT, MINIMIZE, STABILIZE, MITIGATE OR ELIMATE THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE OR HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15330)

**Reasons for exemption:**

Issuance of a 5-year General Lease – Other Use for the above-mentioned activity will only cause a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemptions apply.

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