1 This Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) has been prepared by the 2 California State Lands Commission (Commission or CSLC), as lead agency under the 3 California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.), to 4 analyze and disclose the environmental effects associated with the proposed Grubb 5 Lease (PRC 3913.1) Intake/Outfall Structures Decommissioning Project (Project). The 6 Project would authorize California Resources Corporation (CRC or Applicant) to 7 decommission Project-related facilities located within Lease No. PRC 3913.1 in 8 accordance with lease requirements. The lease agreement requires that CRC plan for 9 replacement and rehabilitation of the pipelines or plan for full removal of the pipelines. The Project objective is the removal of the pipelines and appurtenant facilities to fulfill the 10

11 existing lease requirements and guitclaim the lease.

12 The CSLC prepared an MND because it determined that, while the IS identifies potentially 13 significant impacts related to the Project, mitigation measures (MMs) incorporated into

14 the Project proposal and agreed to by the Applicant would avoid or mitigate those impacts

15 to a point where no significant impacts occur.

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- 17 The Project would require the following primary components:
- 18 Pre-Project Preparation Activities and Surveys (Section 2.2.1)
- 19 Construction of a temporary equipment access ramp
- 20 Removal of the Intake/Outfall facilities within PRC 3913.1 (Section 2.2.2) including:
- 21 • Recovery of the 6-foot by 6-foot by 1-foot concrete lattice structures at the 22 offshore end of each of the intake pipelines
 - Recovery of the two 12-inch-diameter steel intake pipelines
 - Recovery of the 12-inch-diameter steel outfall pipeline
- 25 Demolition and removal of existing concrete vault (Section 2.2.3) including:
- 26 Removal of outer sheet piles
- 27 • Removal of all internal water pumps, piping, two levels of grating, and other 28 ancillary equipment
- 29 • Abandon-in-place the 36-inch-diameter casing (and internal pipelines) on the 30 onshore side of the beach vault (Section 2.2.4), including:
- 31 • Removal or grouting of internal pipeline segments
- 32 Filling the casing between the onshore side of the beach vault and valve 0 33 box on CRC's lower Grubb lease property with slurry

- Ramp demolition and reconstruction of the armor rock seawall at the gap created
 by removal of the concrete vault (Section 2.2.5)
- Demobilization of equipment and disposal/recycling of recovered pipelines and appurtenant facility components (fencing, foundation piling, concrete)
- Post-Project survey to confirm removal of pipelines and any associated seafloor
 anomalies, as compared to the Pre-Project survey (Section 2.2.6)

7 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES

8 The environmental issues checked below in Table ES-1 would be potentially affected by 9 this Project; a checked box indicates that at least one impact would be a "potentially significant impact." The Applicant has agreed to Project revisions, including the 10 11 implementation of MMs, that would reduce the potential impacts to "less than significant with mitigation," as detailed in Section 3.0, Environmental Checklist and Analysis, of this 12 MND. Table ES-2 lists the proposed MMs designed to reduce or avoid potentially 13 14 significant impacts. With implementation of the proposed MMs, all Project-related impacts 15 would be reduced to less than significant levels.

Table ES-1. Environmental Issues and Potentially Significant Impacts

| Aesthetics | Agriculture and Forestry | Air Quality |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| | Resources | |
| Biological Resources | Cultural Resources | 🛛 Cultural Resources – |
| | _ | Tribal |
| Energy | Geology, Soils, and | Greenhouse Gas |
| | Paleontological Resources | Emissions |
| \boxtimes Hazards and Hazardous | Hydrology and Water | Land Use and Planning |
| Materials | Quality | |
| Mineral Resources | | Population and Housing |
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| Public Services | Recreation | Transportation |
| Utilities and Service Systems | ☐ Wildfire | Mandatory Findings of |
| | | Significance |
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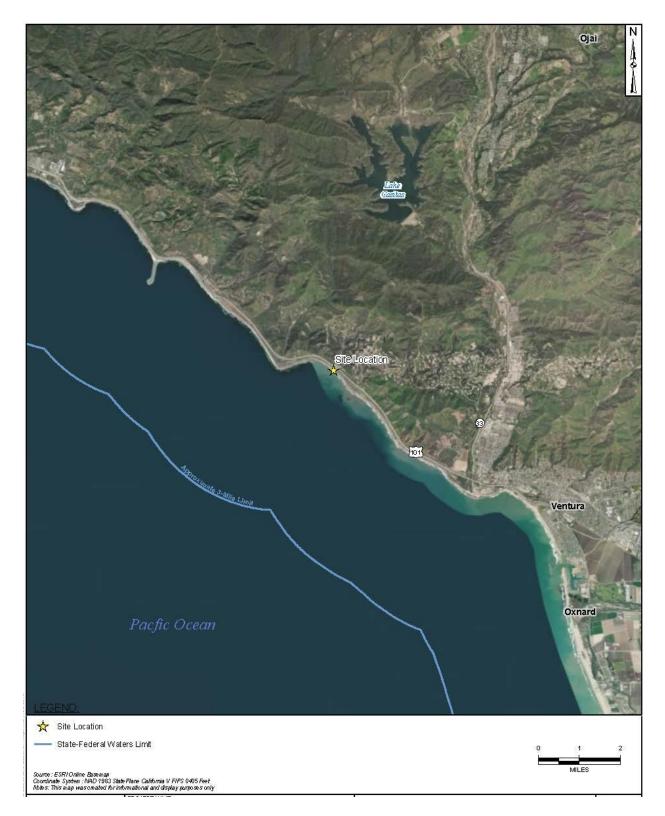


Figure ES-1. Project Site Location



Figure ES-2. Existing Facilities Site Map

| Aesthetics | | |
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| MM AES-1: Nighttime Illumination Shielding | | |
| Biological Resources | | |
| MM BIO-1: Marine Wildlife Contingency and Training Plan Implementation | | |
| MM BIO-2: Environmental Awareness Training | | |
| MM BIO-3: Onshore Biological Pre-activity Survey and Monitoring | | |
| MM BIO-4: Delineation of Work Limits | | |
| MM BIO-5: Marine Safety and Anchoring Plan Implementation | | |
| MM HAZ-1: Oil Spill Response and Contingency Plan Implementation | | |
| Cultural Resources | | |
| MM CUL-1/TCR-1: Discovery of Previously Unknown Cultural or Tribal Cultural Resources | | |
| MM CUL-2/TCR-2: Unanticipated Discovery of Human Remains | | |
| Cultural Resources – Tribal | | |
| MM CUL-1/TCR-1: Discovery of Previously Unknown Cultural or Tribal Cultural Resources | | |
| MM CUL-2/TCR-2: Unanticipated Discovery of Human Remains | | |
| Hazards and Hazardous Materials | | |
| MM HAZ-1: Oil Spill Response and Contingency Plan Implementation | | |
| MM HAZ-2: Hazardous Materials Management and Contingency Plan Implementation | | |
| MM REC-1: Advanced Notice to Mariners | | |
| Hydrology and Water Quality | | |
| MM HAZ-1: Oil Spill Response and Contingency Plan Implementation | | |
| MM HAZ-2: Hazardous Materials Management and Contingency Plan Implementation | | |
| Recreation | | |
| MM REC-1: Advanced Notice to Mariners | | |
| Transportation | | |
| MM T-1: Traffic Control Plan | | |
| Utilities and Service Systems | | |
| MM HAZ-2: Hazardous Materials Management and Contingency Plan Implementation | | |
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Table ES-2. Summary of Proposed Project Mitigation Measures