

**HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION,  
AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FINDINGS RELATIVE TO A CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL  
QUALITY ACT EXEMPTION AND APPROVING HARBOR DISTRICT PERMIT 2025-03 WITH  
CONDITIONS FOR THE LONG POND TIDAL WETLAND ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District (HBHRCD) is empowered by Appendix II of the Harbors and Navigation Code, and its own ordinances and resolutions, to grant permits, leases, rights, and privileges; and,

**WHEREAS**, no permits, rights, leases, and privileges may be granted without first having considered certain potential impacts and without first having made findings relative to said impacts; and,

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) applied to the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District for the Long Pond Tidal Wetland Enhancement Project "Project"; and

**WHEREAS**, HBHRCD, as the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) lead agency, finds the Project qualifies for a CEQA Class 33 Exemption for Small Habitat Restoration Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners has been presented with certain evidence relating to the impact of the Project upon the air, land, environment, and ecology of the Bay under the jurisdiction of the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HUMBOLDT BAY  
HARBOR, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference. The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District has determined the project qualifies for a CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) under Class 33, §15333 (Small Habitat Restoration Projects), and there is no substantial evidence the project will have a significant effect on the environment.

**SECTION 2.** That the Board of Commissioners of the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District has found, after considering the impact of the proposed use upon the air, water, land, environment, and ecology of the lands under the jurisdiction of the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District, that:

- a) The proposed uses are necessary to promote public safety, health, comfort, and convenience of the public;
- b) The proposed uses are required by the public convenience and necessity;
- c) The proposed uses will not have any substantial adverse environmental or ecological effect;
- d) The proposed use is consistent with the Humboldt Bay Management Plan including but are not limited to: CAE-2: Maintain, restore, and enhance aquatic ecosystem integrity; CAS-1: Maintain biological diversity and important habitats throughout Humboldt Bay; CAS-3: Maintain and enhance habitat for sensitive species; and CEP-5: Water Quality protection;
- e) The permit, right, or privilege is reasonably required by public convenience to promote growth, and to meet area demands, and does not adversely affect the environment or ecology of the area to any substantial degree; and
- f) The proposed use will not produce an unreasonable burden on the natural resources and aesthetics of the area, on the public health and safety, and air and water quality in the vicinity of Humboldt Bay, or on the parks, recreation and scenic area, historic sites and buildings, or archeological sites in the area.

**SECTION 3.** That the Board of Commissioners does hereby issue Permit 2025-03 conditionally approving the Long Pond Tidal Wetland Enhancement Project (Attachment A-1).


**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District Board of Commissioners at a duly called meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025 by the following polled vote:

**AYES:** Dale, Kullmann, Newton, Norton


**NOES:** 0

**ABSENT:** Benson

**ATTEST:**



**Aaron Newman, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners**



**Stephen Kullmann, President  
Board of Commissioners**

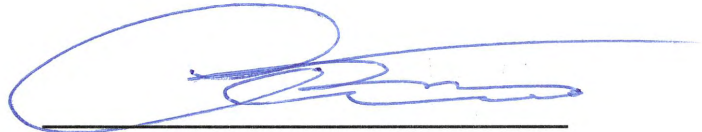
## **CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY**

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT, does hereby certify that the attached Resolution is a true and correct copy of RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03 entitled,

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as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT, duly held on the **12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025**; and further, that such Resolution has been fully recorded in the Journal of Proceedings in my office, and is in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.



**Aaron Newman, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners**