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MEMORANDUM

TO:	California Ocean Protection Council
FROM:	Sam Schuchat, Council Secretary
DATE:	September 16, 2005
RE:	Funding and status of projects

At the June 10, 2005 meeting of the Ocean Protection Council (OPC), the Council asked for regular updates on funding and the status of approved projects. This memo is the first such update.

The chart below shows the original allocation of funds from various funding entities, how much was encumbered in the June meeting, what is proposed for encumbrance at this meeting, and what is remaining in these funds.

	SCC Bonds	SWRCB Bonds	WCB Bonds	Tidelands/ELPF
Original Allocation	$5,000,000	$10,000,000	$5,000,000	$11,000,000*
Encumbered	$1,765,000	0	0	0
This Meeting	$600,000	0	0	$1,701,300
Remaining	$2,635,000	$10,000,000	$5,000,000	$9,298,700

* Tidelands is $10,000,000; total ELPF appropriation was $1,200,000 of which $200,000 is for SCC staffing and administration of the OPC.

The status of projects approved at the June 10, 2005 OPC meeting is as follows:

<u>Derelict Fishing Gear</u>: Contract signed; currently surveying for derelict gear in Humboldt and Monterey Bay; in discussion with urchin divers in Southern California regarding employment. Awarded grant by Northwest Straits Commission for work in Washington State.

<u>Remotely Operated Vehicle Surveys at the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary</u>: Project proponents are raising matching funds; fall survey season is underway.

<u>Klamath Dam Sediment Studies</u>: Contractor selected; negotiations with landowner nearing conclusion; workplan completed; work will begin by the end of September.

<u>Eelgrass/Oyster Restoration in SF Bay</u>: Notice of CEQA exemption filed with OPR; contract being negotiated with SFSU.

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