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Ross Island Sand & Gravel Company
Attn: Mr. Randall H. Steed
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Portland, OR 97282-0249

Dear Sir:

This office has reviewed your Anchor Waiver Request, dated November 19, 2007, for the Stockton Deep Water Channel Dredging Project located in the Sacramento River, northwest of Sherman Island. The anchorage area used during this project includes all navigable waters enclosed by connecting the following points: Station 300+00 (38° 04' 17.11" N / 121° 46' 41.28" W), Station 540+00 (38° 06' 34.82" N / 121° 42' 42.97" W) and Station 432+00 (38° 05' 10.46" N / 121° 44' 03.97" W). The dredging project is scheduled to take place 24 hours per day, seven days per week from December 1, 2007, to December 12, 2007. Based on review, I am granting you a waiver from 33 CFR 110.224(a)(1), which prohibits vessels from anchoring outside designated anchorage areas, beginning 5:00 a.m. on December 1, 2007, until 11:59 p.m. on December 12, 2007.

This waiver is granted subject to the conditions outlined below:

1. Ross Island Sand & Gravel Co. coordinator, Randall Steed, shall be readily accessible at (503) 314-3348 or VHF-FM marine channels 13 and 16.
2. The on-scene representative from Ross Island Sand & Gravel Co. must coordinate operations with the San Francisco Bar Pilots Association through their Operations Pilot at (415) 393-0457 on a daily basis to obtain a forecast of vessel transits through your project area.
3. You shall notify the Coast Guard Vessel Traffic Service San Francisco at (415) 399-7410 or VHF 14 daily upon the start and completion of operations; as well as if your operations require you to deviate from this plan.
4. You shall monitor and answer VHF-FM marine channels 13 and 14 while engaged in this project.
5. Your vessel(s)/barge(s) and any equipment that is anchored, moored to mooring buoys, or extends into the waterway must be properly marked pursuant to Title 33 of the U.S. Code, section 2001 et al. (Inland Navigation Rules).

6. Floating obstructions such as buoys shall conform to the characteristics set forth in the standard U.S. system for aids to navigation as per 33 CFR Section 66.01-10.

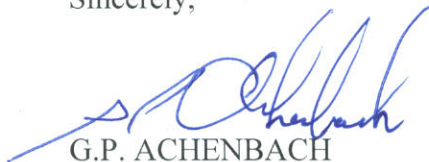
Mooring buoys are moorings in fixed locations, and should be white with a blue horizontal band and have a flashing four-second white light visible from a distance of 2 miles. A permit for any mooring buoy must be obtained from the District 11 Private Aids to Navigation Manager, Mr. Brian Aldrich, at 510-437-2983.

Anchor marker buoys shall be white, and should be lighted with a flashing white light when working near the navigational channel, and shall be lighted with a flashing white light if working in the navigational channel.

7. Any anchors used during the project shall be recovered from the waterway upon the completion of the project.
8. If your project requires work near an existing bridge you are required to contact the District 11 Bridge Office, Mr. David Sulouff, at (510) 437-3516.
9. You shall notify this office upon completion of your project.

Should you have further questions or concerns regarding this approval, contact LT Anthony Paopao, Sector San Francisco, Waterways Safety Branch, at (415) 399-7442.

Sincerely,



G.P. ACHENBACH
Commander, U.S. Coast Guard
Deputy Chief, Prevention Department
By Direction of the Captain of the Port

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