Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

Environmental Assessment

BODEGA HARBOR FEDERAL CHANNELS - MAINTENANCE DREDGING

FISCAL YEAR 2017

July 2017

- 1. Proposed Action. In fiscal year 2017, The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers San Francisco District proposes to carry out maintenance dredging of the Bodega Harbor Federal Channels to the authorized depth of 12 feet MLLW, plus 2 feet of overdepth. Approximately 110,000 cubic yards of sediment will be dredged from the federal navigation channels. For all dredging activities, an environmental (closed) bucket will be used to minimize sediment spillage over the side of the bucket as it is raised through the water column. Dredged sediment will be placed directly into ocean-going scows for transport. The scows will not be filled to more than 80% capacity to eliminate the possibility of inadvertent spillage. The sediment will either be disposed of at SF–DODS or, if clean sand up to station 100+00, placed at the shallow ocean disposal site SF–8. Dredging of the Bodega Harbor Federal Channels is scheduled to occur sometime between August and November 2017, and to last up to 60 calendar days.
- **2.** <u>Reference.</u> Incorporated herein for reference is the Environmental Assessment—Bodega Harbor Federal Channels, Maintenance Dredging for Fiscal Year 2017, dated July 2017.
- **3. Factors Considered.** Factors considered for this FONSI include impacts of sediment quality, water quality, biological resources (including benthic resources, threatened and endangered species, critical habitat, and essential fish habitat), air quality, and noise.
- **4. Conclusion.** Based on the information obtained during preparation of the Environmental Assessment, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers San Francisco District concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Therefore, the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not necessary.

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