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**EAST CLIFF DRIVE, SANTA CRUZ
CONTINUING AUTHORITY, SECTION 103**

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Continuing erosion of coastal cliffs by waves and currents threatens to destroy East Cliff Drive and a major sanitary sewer line. Portions of East Cliff Drive in Santa Cruz County are already limited to one-way traffic due to erosion. The County of Santa Cruz, working with the California Department of Boating and Waterways, has begun design of a seawall along an 1100-foot section of East Cliff Drive. The non-Federal sponsor is the Santa Cruz County Redevelopment Agency.

TOTAL FUNDING:

TOTAL COST:	\$ 7,200,000
FEDERAL COST:	\$ 3,000,0900
NON-FEDERAL COST:	\$ 4,200,000

TOTAL FEDERAL COST THROUGH FY05:	\$ 635,000
FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET:	\$ 0
COST TO COMPLETE:	\$ 2,365,000

FY 05 AND 06 ACCOMPLISHMENTS: The County of Santa Cruz completed emergency repairs of severe erosion caused by winter storms in 2004, constructing a seawall along the top half of the 1100-foot section of cliff. Currently, the County is determining if they want to move forward with the full-bluff armoring project.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: A Final Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report and Detailed Project Report were approved by South Pacific Division and released on October 10, 2003. A Consistency Determination was submitted for the November 7, 2003 California Coastal Commission meeting. The Commission unanimously voted to object to the project. Discussions are under way with the sponsor and California Coastal Commission staff to determine what conditions or changes can be made to the project to obtain concurrence. The County is determining if they want to move forward with the full-bluff armoring project. However, lack of available CAP funding in FY06 will prevent the project from moving forward.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: 14th District, Rep. Anna Eshoo; 17th District, Rep. Sam Farr.

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