

A meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 611, State Building, San Francisco, on September 6, 1944, at 2:00 P.M.

Present: Hon. James S. Dean, Chairman,  
Hon. Frederick F. Houser, Member,  
Hon. Harry B. Riley, Member,

Absent: None.

1. Upon motion duly made and carried the minutes of the regular meeting of the State Lands Commission held in Los Angeles on August 3, 1944, were unanimously approved and confirmed as submitted.

2. General Walter B. Pyron of the War Department appeared before the Commission, relative to the need of petroleum products for use in the war effort. A separate report has been prepared covering this appearance. *See Minute (5) O.R. U.S. Dept. P.A.W.*

3. Mr. A. C. Mattei, President of the Honolulu Oil Corporation, appeared before the Commission relative to the general situation in California of the production of oil and gas at this time. A report was made as to the activities of various groups composed of representatives of the oil industry, with respect to proposed legislation, both Federal and State.

It was agreed that State legislation consisting of four bills and the entire program which the industry anticipates would be presented to the Commission. In this connection, the Chairman stated that any proposed legislation sponsored by the Commission, or any other State agency, should clear through the Governor's Office at the next session.

4. The next meeting of the State Lands Commission was tentatively set for October 6, 1944, at 2:30 P.M., in the office of the Director of Finance at Sacramento.

5. (State Oil and Gas Lease No. P.R.C. 144) Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted confirming the verbal approval given on September 1, 1944 by the Executive Officer to the Beloil Corporation, Ltd., Lido Petroleum Company and the O. C. Field Gasoline Corporation, for an additional thirty days in which to commence drilling operations of the first well on Lease No. P.R.C. 144 at Rincon.

The reason for this extension is that the Lessee has had mechanical and contract difficulty in getting a thirty-six inch conduit under the highway in order for them to place their surface facilities landward of the highway as requested by the Commission.