

24. (Legislative Grant to United States Navy and City of Coronado-Spanish Bight, San Diego Bay) The Commission was informed of two takings filed by the United States Department of Justice on behalf of the Navy for tide and submerged lands in the Coronado area, San Diego County, which lands involve legislative grants to the Navy and the City of Coronado under Chapter 49 of 1923 and Chapter 293 of 1931. It was explained that because of inaccuracies of the descriptions of the areas involved in these grants, the Legislature enacted Chapter 893 in 1939 which empowered the Commission to survey, redescribe and fix the boundaries of and between the tidelands and submerged lands within the area, but that in 1940, prior to the takings when the State Lands Commission attempted to perform the requirements of this Act, agreement of the City of Coronado to such resurveys could not be obtained.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Acting Executive Officer, with the assistance of the Attorney General, to negotiate with the City of Coronado and the United States Navy in settlement of these two actions on the basis that the State will receive title and corresponding condemnation value to fifty acres of filled tide and submerged land in Spanish Bight.

25. (Application for Right of Way Mineral Lease over Recession Lands and Cancellation of Corresponding Existing Leases - Owens Lake - Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company) The Commission was informed of the application of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company for a new right of way and mineral extraction lease on Owens Lake to supersede their existing right of way leases Nos. 478, 529 and 548, which leases expire March 24, 1952, November 17, 1955 and November 17, 1955, respectively. These right of way leases consist of a total of 132.43 acres in Inyo County.

It was pointed out that the interests of the State would be best served by advertising for competitive bids for a new lease and corresponding cancellation of the existing leases inasmuch as the State would be assured of continued chemical extraction from Owens Lake for the next twenty years.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the publication of a Notice of Intention to receive bids for the lands applied for by Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company consisting of 132.43 acres in Inyo County, subject to the same conditions as prevailed in the case of Lease No. P. R. C. 210 awarded on July 18, 1946. Said notice is to recite that the Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and that no bids will be accepted of less than a minimum of fifty cents per ton for all minerals extracted during 1946 under any lease entered into pursuant to said notice. The termination date of any lease issued hereunder to be July 19, 1966.