

A meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 301 State Building, Los Angeles, on July 26, 1949, at 2:00 P.M.

Present: Honorable James S. Dean, Chairman,
Honorable Goodwin J. Knight, Member

Absent: Honorable Thomas H. Kuchel, Member.

1. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the minutes of the meetings of the State Lands Commission held in Sacramento on June 14, 1949 and July 11, 1949, were approved and confirmed as submitted.
2. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, it was decided to defer setting a date for the next Commission meeting.
3. (Geophysical Exploration - Humble Oil and Refining Company, Santa Barbara County - W.O. 518) The Commission was informed that an application has been received from the Humble Oil and Refining Company for permission to conduct seismic geophysical exploration operations during the period August 1, 1949 to October 31, 1949, inclusive, on those tide and submerged lands under the jurisdiction of the State Lands Commission, located between the City of Santa Barbara and Point Conception, Santa Barbara County.

After a discussion of the problem wherein pictures were shown and news stories examined relating to damages reported to have occurred as a result of such geophysical explorations, upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted deferring action on the application of the Humble Oil and Refining Company pending investigation, report and recommendation to the Commission on the establishment of detailed permit requirements for the conduct of geophysical exploration operations.

4. (Geophysical Exploration - County of Santa Barbara - W.O. 525) The Commission was informed that a resolution has been received from the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara relative to the conduct of submarine geophysical exploration operations, which resolution requests the Fish and Game Commission and the State Lands Commission to take appropriate action to discontinue the geodetic blasting in the channel waters off the County of Santa Barbara in order to preserve the marine life in said waters and to protect the pleasure and commercial fishing industries, together with property values, of the County of Santa Barbara.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to reply to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara relative to Resolution No. 8863 of June 20, 1949, stating that thorough investigations are being made, and that effort is being made by the State Lands Commission for the establishment of a future program for geophysical exploration operations which will avoid damages.

5. (Tide Water Associated Oil Company - Application for Lease of Tide and Submerged Lands at Avon, Contra Costa County - W.O. 168, P.R.C. 419) The Commission was informed that the Tide Water Associated Oil Company holds a Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors franchise on tidelands adjoining their refinery at Avon, which franchise expires April 1, 1953. Plans have been drawn for an extension to the existing wharf on this franchise area and application has been received for lease of the wharf area and the tide and submerged lands between the lateral portion of the wharf and the Tide Water Associated Oil Company property line for a period of fifteen years with the right of renewal for an additional period of ten years. It is also requested that rental be adjusted so as to exclude from rental until April 1, 1953,

the area now under franchise, at which time rental will be increased and based on the entire area. The area desired to be leased has been appraised in two parcels: Parcel "A" occupied by the wharf, consisting of 6.374 acres has been appraised at \$350.00 per acre, Parcel "B" the area between the wharf and the property line consisting of 43.787 acres at \$75.00 per acre. Average rental on the entire area under the six percent policy will amount to \$363.97 per annum. From this annual rental will be deducted \$22.05 for the first, second, and third year and \$15.04 for the fourth year's annual rental (Six percent of the appraised value of \$367.50 for 1.05 acres under the existing franchise).

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to issue a lease to the Tide Water Associated Oil Company for 50.161 acres of tide and submerged land at Avon, Contra Costa County, for a period of fifteen years with right of renewal for an additional period of ten years at such terms as may be determined, at an annual rental for the first, second, third years of \$341.92, \$348.93 for the fourth year, and \$363.97 thereafter to the end of the fifteen year period. Performance bond in the amount of \$35,000.00 is to be posted by the lessee.

6. (Columbia Steel Company - Application for Lease of Tide and Submerged Lands at Pittsburg, Contra Costa County - W.O. 37, P.R.C. 431) The Commission was informed that an application has been received from the Columbia Steel Company to lease an area of approximately one-half an acre of State tide and submerged lands in front of land owned by that company, just easterly of the city limits of Pittsburg. The purpose of the lease is to make an exchange of location with the Union Oil Company in order to move existing facilities within the larger area of upland owned by the Columbia Steel Company and provide Union Oil Company with a wharf and bulk storage plant outside of this area. The new location was occupied on December 5, 1946. Staff appraisal of the area indicates that under the Commission's policy of six percent of the appraised value, the annual rental will be less than the minimum of \$50.00 per year.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to enter into a lease for approximately one-half acre of State tide and submerged lands easterly of the city limits of Pittsburg to the Columbia Steel Company effective December 5, 1946, for a period of fifteen years, with the right of extension for an additional ten years at such terms and conditions as shall be set by the Commission at the time of renewal. Rental is to be the minimum of \$50.00 per year, with the applicant paying the first and last years' rental at the time of issuance of the lease. Lessee is to file a bond in the amount of \$2,000.00 to guarantee removal of the facilities at the expiration of the term of the lease.

7. (City of Oxnard - Application for Permit to Install an Outfall Sewer in the Pacific Ocean near Hueneme, Ventura County - W.O. 415, P.R.C. 432) The Commission was informed that the City of Oxnard has applied for a permit to install, maintain and use an outfall sewer on tide and submerged lands under the Pacific Ocean near Hueneme, Ventura County, extending approximately 200 feet more or less seaward of the mean high tide line, replacing in a new location an old outfall sewer constructed in 1935, P.R.C. 147.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to issue a permit to the City of Oxnard to install, maintain and use an outfall sewer over tide and submerged lands of the Pacific Ocean near Hueneme, Ventura County, and extending approximately 200 feet seaward of the mean high tide line, for a period of forty-nine years with the right of renewal for an additional period of forty-nine years, subject to prior approval by the State Department of Public Health. No rental or fees are to be required.