

The mineral potentialities of the subject land and the surrounding area have been reviewed by the Staff in the field, in addition to official records in conjunction with the Division of Oil and Gas, and the Division of Mines, with the following conclusions:

- (1) The subject area consists of two vacant residential building lots in an old subdivided tract now within the city limits of Los Angeles. The majority of the other lots in the block are occupied by small residences. The soil is principally adobe, with no rock outcrops in the vicinity. Currently the lands adjoining the subdivision are principally fairly flat, vacant, grassy fields. Any mineral operations would be subject to Los Angeles' zoning ordinances.
- (2) The area lies approximately midway between the Torrance and Dominguez oil fields over the synclinal area separating those fields. The closest oil production is 1.5 miles southwesterly on the northerly flank of the Torrance field.
- (3) The possibility of oil or gas production from the property is very slight, in that five wells have been drilled in the surrounding area which are considered to have tested the oil and gas potentialities completely. None of these wells developed oil or gas in commercial quantities.
- (4) The only other mineral operations of record in the area are clay pits which have been mined for brick and tile production, all in excess of two miles northwesterly from the subject lots.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

The Executive Officer is authorized to issue a Grant Deed, pursuant to Section 6406 of the Public Resources Code, for the sum of \$10.00, to Elbert, Ltd. for the mineral reservation previously made by the State Controller on September 25, 1946, in the conveyance of Lots 193 and 207, Hammerton Tract, County of Los Angeles, recorded in Book 40, Pages 2 to 4 of Maps, official records of Los Angeles County. The Grant Deed is to be issued in accordance with the procedure established by the Commission for the disposition of reserved mineral rights in lands not known to contain commercially valuable deposits of minerals.

22. (EXTRACTION OF SAND AND GRAVEL, TUOLUMNE RIVER, STANISLAUS COUNTY, SANTA FE ROCK AND SAND COMPANY - W. O. 1289, P.R.C. 774.1.) On December 18, 1952 (Minute Item 7, Pages 1700-02), the Commission confirmed a program for current operations by the Santa Fe Rock and Sand Company in the extraction of sand and gravel from the Tuolumne River for a period of 60 days terminating February 10, 1953. In the interim a Notice of Intention has been published to receive bids for a mineral extraction lease covering the sand and gravel extraction operations from the Tuolumne River as authorized by the Commission September 30, 1952 (Minute Item 34, Pages 1638-39), with bids to be received February 16, 1953.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

The Executive Officer is authorized to extend the term of the directive of December 12, 1952, relating to the operations of the Santa Fe Rock and Sand Company in the extraction of sand and gravel from the Tuolumne River, Stanislaus County, for a period of 45 days terminating not later than March 27, 1953, to permit the completion of any lease issuance pursuant to the published Notice of Intention to receive bids.

*Note: see Minute Book
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23. (BID FOR SAND AND GRAVEL LEASE, TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS, ROCKAWAY BEACH, SAN MATEO COUNTY, KEN ROYCE, INC. - W. O. 1095.) On August 21, 1952 (Minute Item 22, Pages 1603-1606), the Commission postponed action on the application of Ken Royce, Inc. for a lease to remove sand and gravel from approximately five acres of tide and submerged lands at Rockaway Beach, San Mateo County, pending further study of the possibility of permanent damage to the beaches in the area in question. A field inspection of the subject area was made January 16, 1953, by Lieutenant Governor Knight and Controller Kirkwood, in company with representatives of the San Mateo County Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors, San Mateo County, and Staff.

A further review of all factors has shown that insufficient data are available to permit a reasonable conclusion that no permanently damaging effects to the proposed lease area and littoral lands might result from sand and gravel extraction operations.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

The Executive Officer is authorized to reject the bid of Ken Royce, Inc. for a mineral extraction lease under W.O. 1095 and to refund all deposits made by the bidder with the exception of the statutory \$5 application filing fee.

24. (ASSIGNMENT OF AGREEMENTS FOR EASEMENT NOS. 274, 275, 400 and 401, WILSHIRE OIL COMPANY, INC., HUNTINGTON BEACH - W.O. 1401.) The Wilshire Oil Company, Inc., Lessee under Agreements for Easement Nos. 274, 275, 400 and 401, Huntington Beach, has submitted an application for assignment of the subject easement agreements, in specified proportions, to B-L and Associates, Inc. and Elsinore C. Machris, as sole heir of the Estate of George L. Machris, deceased, with the interest assigned to B-L and Associates, Inc. to be assigned immediately thereafter to Monterey Oil Company.

Agreement for Easement 274 was issued March 1, 1934, to Ambassador Petroleum Company for an initial term of twenty years, with the preferential right in the Lessee for extensions of additional periods of ten years each. This easement was assigned to Wilshire Oil Company, with the approval of the Commission, on February 20, 1945. Easement 275 was issued to the Wilshire Oil Company on March 1, 1934, under the same terms and