

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. 43
was approved as Minute Item
No. 43 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
to 0 at its 3-25-76
meeting.

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43. MULTIAGENCY HEARING PROCEDURE - W 21003,

During consideration of Calendar Item 43, Mr. William F. Northrop, Executive Officer, recommended that the Office of Planning and Research take a hard look at the subject area to determine the long-range impact of the industrial development being contemplated. Acting Chairman Roy M. Bell assured Mr. Northrop that this was being done.

The Commission unanimously approved the resolution as presented in Calendar Item 43 attached.

Attachment:
Calendar Item 43 (1 page)

MULTIAGENCY HEARING PROCEDURE

A major industrial development is planned for southeastern Solano county near Collinsville. Combined, the individual projects involved have caused considerable concern to the governmental and public sector. Two major petrochemical facilities by Dow and ARCO are of particular concern.

An EIR prepared by Dow Chemical Company has raised a number of significant environmental issues. State agencies attending a recent meeting expressed concern over the adequacy of this environmental report. The general consensus of opinion was that numerous additional hearings would be required in order to properly assess impact on the environment.

The Office of Planning and Research has proposed to initiate a multiagency hearing procedure on the entire industrial development in this area. This approach is designed to avoid the costly, time consuming, and duplicative hearing procedures. The State Lands Commission should be represented on this multi-agency group because lands under the jurisdiction of the Commission will necessarily be involved. Under CEQA guidelines, the Commission will function as a responsible agency.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. ENDORSE THE MULTIAGENCY HEARING CONCEPT.
2. AGREE THAT THE COMMISSION SHOULD BE REPRESENTED ON THE HEARING PANEL BECAUSE OF ITS DIRECT INTEREST IN THE PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE PROPOSED.
3. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO REPRESENT THE COMMISSION IN THIS HEARING PROCESS IF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION FIND THAT THEY ARE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE.

EXHIBIT: A. Location Map.