

MINUTE ITEM
This Calendar Item No. 48
was approved as Minute Item
No. 48 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
0 at its 08/30/89
meeting.

CALENDAR ITEM

A) 48 08/30/89
) Statewide C 8915 W 30001
S) Pelkofer

AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT FOR CONSULTANT
OIL SPILL PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

The staff, at the Commission's request, conducted a review and evaluation of the adequacy of the State Lessee's oil spill containment plans. The conclusion of the staff evaluation determined that, "In the event of a spill from offshore vessels, including tankers, existing plans are clearly inadequate. Much of the California coast could not be reached by sea-going response vessels in less than eight hours. Eureka and the north coast could not be reached for 24 hours or more. Given the limitations of the existing equipment, it is unrealistic to believe a major spill of tens of thousands of gallons discharged over a very few hours could be contained and recovered."

The Commission has expressed a need to have an expert(s) suggest and/or prepare recommended changes to such plans to correct the deficiencies identified. This item would authorize the Executive Officer to contract for such services with a qualified individual or firm.

AB 884: N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA because the activity is not a "project" as defined by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Authority: P.R.C. 21065 and 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15378.

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The Commission No. 375
was approved as Minute Item No. 3096
by the State Board of Pesticide Control
to the Commission by vote of 5-0
on 10/10/80

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C. 21065 AND 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15378.
2. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER A CONTRACT FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE STATE'S CURRENT CAPACITY TO RESPOND TO A MAJOR OIL SPILL.
3. TAKE SUCH OTHER AND MINISTERIAL STEPS AS ARE NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE ABOVE PURPOSE.