STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Minutes of the Meeting of the
State Lands Commission
Sacramento, California

APPEARANCES

Commissioners Present:
Roy M. Bell, Acting Chairman
David Ackerman, Commission-Alternate for Mike Curb, Lieutenant Governor

Staff Members in Attendance:
William F. Northrop, Executive Officer
James F. Trout, Assistant Executive Officer
Robert C. Right, Chief Counsel
D. J. Everitts, Chief, Extractive Development - State Leases
W. M. Thompson, Chief, Long Beach Operations
A. D. Willard, Supervising Mineral Resources Engineer, Leasing and Lease Management
D. E. Sanders, Chief, Planning and Environmental Coordination Unit
Les Grimes, Deputy Chief, Division of Land Management and Conservation
Diane Jones, Secretary

Representing the Office of the Attorney General:
Jan Stevens, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA

Re Minute Item 27:
Robert Parkin, City Attorney, City of Long Beach
Einar Peterson, Deputy City Attorney, City of Long Beach
The regular meeting of the State Lands Commission was called to order by Acting Chairman Roy M. Bell at 10:06 a.m. in Room 2133, State Capitol. Also present was Commission-Alternate David Ackerman, representing Commissioner Mike Curb, Lieutenant Governor.

The minutes of the meeting of November 20, 1979 were approved as presented.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Mr. William F. Northrop's written report is attached as Exhibit "A".

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND CARRIED, THE COMMISSION AUTHORIZED RECLAMATION DISTRICT 2040 TO PROCEED WITH THEIR LEVEE REHABILITATION PLAN FOR VICTORIA ISLAND, WESTERN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, UNTIL A FORMAL AUTHORIZATION FOR THIS PROJECT IS PRESENTED TO THE COMMISSION IN JANUARY. VOTE 2-0.

Attachment: Exhibit "A".
RECLAMATION DISTRICT 2040

The staff has been informed by Mr. Graydon Nichols, an engineer for Reclamation District 2040, that delays in obtaining a Lands Commission permit may cause difficulty. Normal processing for their proposed levee maintenance project may not allow enough time to complete that phase of the work before the spring runoff. The project involves the bank protection necessary to assure that the land within the district is protected from potential flood damage. Although the district has been in the process of obtaining the necessary permits since early this spring, they were not aware until this month that a permit from State Lands was necessary.

The applicant proposes a 5-year levee rehabilitation plan for Victoria Island, western San Joaquin County just north of the Clifton Court Forebay. The plan includes placing approximately 25,000 cubic yards of stone rip-rap and 8,500 cubic yards of bedding material along the waterward levee banks of Old River, Middle River and both North and South Victoria Canals. Rock protection would be placed first in areas in immediate need of bank protection. All material will be imported; no dredging of the waterways will occur. The Resources Agency is satisfied that the project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment so long as

THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS IS PREPARED TO ISSUE THEIR PERMIT FOR THE PROJECT AS SOON AS STATE LANDS LIFTS ITS OBJECTION. THE APPLICANT HAS SUBMITTED THE APPLICATION AND FILING FEES.

APPLICANT HAS REQUESTED THAT HE BE ALLOWED TO BEGIN HIS BANK PROTECTION PROJECT PRIOR TO FINALIZING OF A STATE LANDS COMMISSION PERMIT SO THAT THE NECESSARY WORK CAN BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO THE SPRING RUNOFF. THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA AS A MINOR ALTERATION TO LAND (CLASS 4.B). STAFF EXPECTS TO SUBMIT A FINAL PERMIT TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL AT THE COMMISSION'S JANUARY MEETING.

WITH YOUR CONSENT, WE WILL ADVISE MR. NICHOLS AND THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS THAT HE MAY PROCEED WITH HIS PROJECT.
The California Coastal Commission, at its December 18, 1979 meeting, approved a Coastal Energy Impact Program (CEIP) grant to the State Lands Commission in the amount of $69,964 for a study to identify the nature and extent of major oil seeps in the Santa Barbara Channel.

The major objective of this project is to provide sufficient, verified, physical data on such seeps to map and study them. The data collection and mapping tasks constitute the first phase of this project. Once completed, a grant augmentation of approximately $30,000 will be considered to complete a preliminary analysis to determine the feasibility of capturing such oil and gas for transport to onshore facilities.
During the meeting, the recommendations of the staff relative to Calendar Items C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, C7, C8, C9, C10, C12, C13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38 were adopted as resolutions of the Commission by unanimous vote.

Commission action on Calendar Item 27 is set forth on page 2637.

Calendar Items C11 and 14 were withdrawn from the agenda prior to the meeting (see pages 2496 and 2510).

Commission action on Calendar Item 21 was deferred.