STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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

APPEARANCES

Commissioners Present:

Kenneth Cory, State Controller, Chairman
David Ackerman, Commission-Alternate for Mike Curb,
   Lieutenant Governor
Susanne Morgan, Commission-Alternate for Mary Ann
   Graves, Director of Finance

Staff Members in Attendance

William F. Northrop, Executive Officer
James F. Trout, Assistant Executive Officer
R. C. Hight, Chief Counsel
D. J. Everitts, Chief, Division of Energy and
   Mineral Resources Development
W. M. Thompson, Chief, Division of Long Beach
   Operations
D. E. Sanders, Chief, Planning and Environmental
   Coordination

Representing the Office of the Attorney General

N. Gregory Taylor, Assistant Attorney General
Jan Stevens, Assistant Attorney General
Robert Collins, Deputy Attorney General
Susanne Wylie, Deputy Attorney General
Stephen Mills, Deputy Attorney General

Re Minute Item 19:

Richard Stevens, President, Wrather Port
   Properties, Inc.
The regular meeting of the State Lands Commission was called to order by Chairman Kenneth Cory at 10:06 a.m. in Room 3191, State Capitol, Sacramento.

Also present were David Ackerman, Commission-Alternate for Mike Curb, Lieutenant Governor, and Susanne Morgan, Commission-Alternate for Mary Ann Graves, Director of Finance.

The meeting was recessed at 10:25 a.m. before considering Calendar Item 19 and adjourned into Executive Session. The meeting then reconvened to consider Item 19.

The minutes of the meeting of December 16, 1980 were approved as presented.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S AND STAFF REPORTS:

See attached Exhibits "A" and "B" for written reports.
EXHIBIT "A"

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
BY
WILLIAM F. NORTHROP
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION AREA PLAN

THIS IS A FOLLOW-UP ON PRIOR COMMISSION REQUESTS FOR PROGRESS ON THE CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION AREA PLAN.

IN DECEMBER 1980, THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT AGREED TO MODIFY SOME WORDING IN ITS DESERT PLAN TO EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF PROVIDING FOR LAND EXCHANGES WITH THE STATE.

THE NEED FOR THIS WAS BROUGHT ON BY THE EFFECT OF WILDERNESS AND RESTRICTED USE DESIGNATIONS IN AREAS WHERE THERE IS INTERMINGLED STATE OWNERSHIP.

WITHIN WILDERNESS AREAS OF THE DESERT ARE 124 PARCELS OF STATE SCHOOL LAND TOTALING 75,000 ACRES DESIGNATED CONTROLLED CLASS (C) AND WITHIN RESTRICTED USE (L) DESIGNATED AREAS ARE 362 PARCELS TOTALING 210,000 ACRES. PRELIMINARY STAFF STUDY INDICATES THAT BECAUSE OF EXISTING ACCESS AND MINERAL OR OTHER DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL, 73 OF THESE PARCELS TOTALING 41,000 ACRES
SHOULD PROBABLY REMAIN IN STATE OWNERSHIP. THE REMAINING 413 PARCELS TOTALING 244,000 ACRES APPEAR TO BE SO RESTRICTED IN ACCESS AND DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL BECAUSE OF DESIGNATIONS IMPOSED BY THE DESERT PLAN, THAT THEY SHOULD BE EXCHANGED FOR BLM LANDS OF EQUAL VALUE ELSEWHERE.

AS CANDIDATES FOR ACQUISITION IN EXCHANGE FOR THE STATE'S DESERT LANDS THE FOLLOWING AREAS ARE BEING STUDIED:

1. A WELL BLOCKED AREA OF BLM OWNERSHIP IN CALIENTE RANGE OF SOUTHERN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY SOUTHWEST OF TAFT TOTALING 54,000 ACRES BELIEVED TO HAVE POTENTIAL FOR OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION.

2. A TOTAL OF 46,500 ACRES COMPOSED OF NINE BLOCKS IN MENDOCINO COUNTY PRIMARILY VALUABLE FOR TIMBER PRODUCTION.

3. IN THE JUNCTION CITY AREA OF TRINITY COUNTY, 14,300 ACRES PRIMARILY VALUABLE FOR TIMBER PRODUCTION.

4. IN THE EAGLE LAKE AREA OF LASSEN COUNTY, 14,880 ACRES PRIMARILY VALUABLE FOR TIMBER PRODUCTION.
5. Up to 25,000 acres in the Lucerne Valley-Johnson Valley area of Western San Bernardino County. In this area there are presently 20,000 acres of State School land most of which were acquired through previous exchanges; (Twenty-Nine Palms Marine Corps Base) it is a location that has potential for development as population centers of Western San Bernardino County expand.

The staff is continuing to refine information on lands for acquisition, disposal or retention and their relative values so a series of exchange proposals can be initiated in the near future with BLM.
On June 30, 1981 the State Coastal Commission will undergo a major reorganization. The six regional coastal commissions will go out of existence and all of their workload will fall upon the State Commission. Half of the present commission's voting membership (6 members) represent regional commissions. After June 30 these six members will be replaced by county supervisors or city councilpersons from coastal counties. The staff of the Commission has proposed, based on an outside management study, that the three non-voting members (the chairperson of the State Lands Commission, the Secretary for Resources, and the Secretary for Business and Transportation) be given voting privileges.

The Commission approved introduction of legislation to accomplish this, subject to the approval of the Governor and the individuals involved.

The reason this was proposed was to provide additional commissioners so that they can split into sub-committees to handle the very large workload. To date the Governor's approval has been obtained on the proposal.

The State Lands Commission is currently a voting member of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission and has been since that agency was established. The Coastal Commission and BCDC comprise the State's Coastal Zone Management Agency under federal statutes so there is some rationale for the proposal.
RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE
STATE LANDS COMMISSION
AT ITS MEETING OF JANUARY 26, 1981

During the meeting, the recommendations of the staff relative to Calendar Items C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, C7, C8, C9, C10, C11, C12, C13, C14, C15, C16, C17, C18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38 were adopted as resolutions of the Commission by unanimous vote.

Commission action on Calendar Item 19 is set forth on pages 107.

Calendar Item 35 was pulled prior to the meeting.