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GENERAL LEASE - GRAZING USE

LESSEE:

Anheuser-Busch Beverage Group, Inc. One Busch Place, BPI-Clay St. Louis, Missouri 63118

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

710 acres, more or less, of recession lands in the dry bed of Owens Lake, north of the town of Olancha, Inyo County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Cattle grazing.

LEASE TERM:

Nine years and eight months, beginning May 18, 1988.

CONSIDERATION:

\$500 per annum; with the State reserving the right to fix a different rent periodically during the lease term.

SPECIFIC LEASE PROVISIONS:

Liability insurance: Combined single limit coverage of \$1,000,000.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- During the lease application process, California State Lands Commission (CSLC) staff consulted with staff of the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG). CDFG staff identified potential impacts to a variety of sensitive species and habitats affecting portions of the proposed lease area.
- 2. Through discussions with CDFG, CDFG concluded that since the applicant has grazed the area in the past and since the current grazing season is half complete, they would not object if the CSLC issued a lease to the applicant to cover another fall grazing period.

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- 3. Based on information provided by CDFG, CSLC staff recommends issuing a grazing lease effective May 18, 1988 through January 19, 1998, which would allow the applicant to graze through the 1997 fall grazing period only.
- 4. CSLC staff have advised the applicant that a grazing plan must be developed and additional environmental analysis must be conducted before the Commission would consider issuing a long-term grazing lease.
- 5. The previous lease between the CSLC and the applicant expired May 17, 1988. For various reasons, the lease was never renewed. Rent in the amount of \$4,832.24 from May 18, 1988 through January 19, 1998, has been paid by the applicant.
- 6. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 4, Minor Alteration to Land; Title 2, California Code of Regulations section 2905(d)(1).
- 7. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Location Map
- **B.** Land Description

PERMIT STREAMLINING ACT DEADLINE:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

CEQA FINDING:

FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS. SECTION 15061, AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT

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PROJECT, CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATION TO LAND; TITLE 2, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 2905(d)(1).

SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:

FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE USE CLASSIFICATION DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE LAND PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 6370, ET SEQ.

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO ANHEUSER-BUSCH BEVERAGE GROUP, INC. OF A GRAZING LEASE, BEGINNING MAY 18, 1988, FOR A TERM OF NINE YEARS AND EIGHT MONTHS, FOR CATTLE GRAZING ON THE LAND DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT B ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; RENT OF \$500 PER YEAR; LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT COVERAGE OF \$1,000,000.

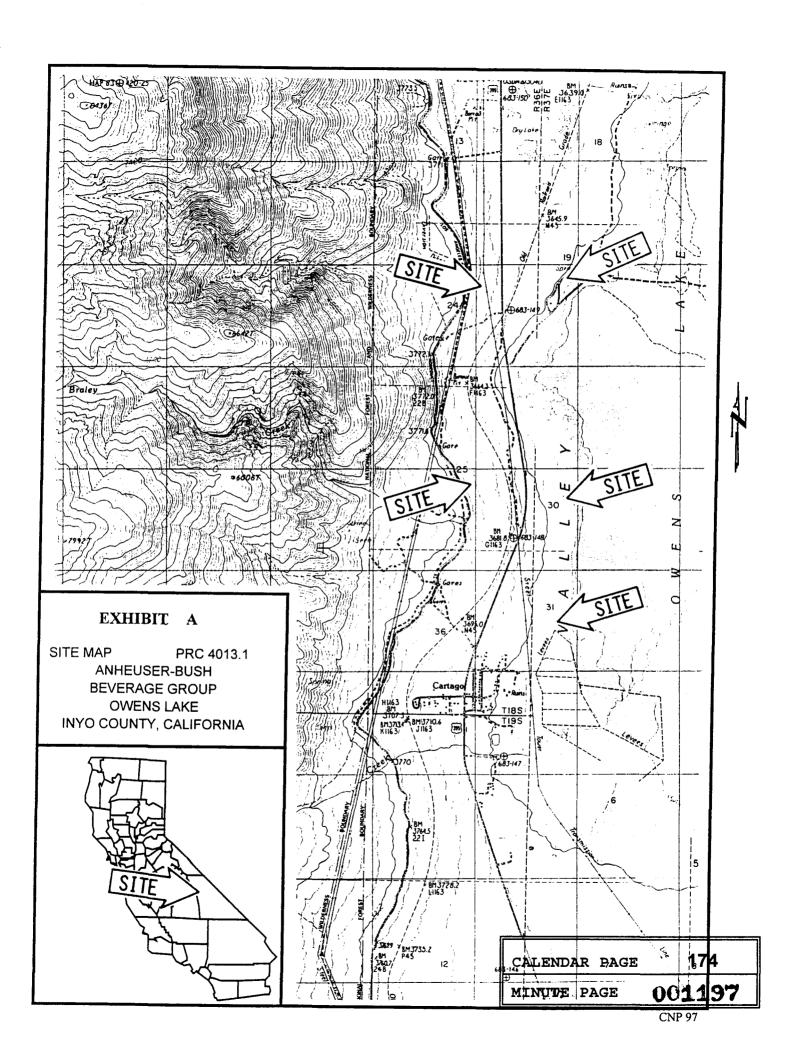


EXHIBIT B LAND DESCRIPTION

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Two parcels of land in the bed of Owens Lake, Inyo County, California, described as follows:

PARCEL 1

All of the recession lands lakeward of the United States Meander Line of Owens Lake in the E1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 24 and in the E1/2 of the NE1/4 of Section 25, T18S, R36E, MDM: in the W1/2 of the W1/2 and the W1/2 of the E1/2 of the W1/2 of Sections 19, 30, and 31, T18S, R37E, MDM.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion of Lake Land Location No. 2218 lying in said Section 31.

PARCEL 2

All of the recession lands in Section 6, T19S, R37E, MDM, lying lakeward of the United States Meander Line of Owens Lake, containing 290 acres more or less.

END DESCRIPTION

REVISED FEBRUARY 24, 1984 BY BOUNDARY AND TITLE UNIT, LEROY WEED, SUPERVISOR.

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