

9. (Easement No. 297.) Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted wherein the action of the Executive Officer in approving the crude oil purchase contract dated June 14, 1943 by and between the Centralia Oil Company and the Standard Oil Company of California for the production from State Easement No. 297, was confirmed. Such approval is given subject to the reservation contained within the easement wherein the State retains upon reasonable notice the right to take its royalty share of oil in kind.

10. (Newport Beach.) Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted wherein the Executive Officer was authorized to advertise for bids for lease of tide and submerged lands which are or which may be drained by existing upland wells which lie westerly of the Newport Beach City Limits in Orange County.

11. (Seal Beach.) Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to advertise for bids to lease tide and submerged lands, lying offshore and easterly of the Orange County line at the mouth of the San Gabriel River, provided that the City of Long Beach Zone Variance Ordinance, now pending before the Long Beach City Council, is passed.

12. (Possible Oil Development on State Highways.) Upon motion duly made and unanimously passed, a resolution was adopted wherein the Executive Officer was requested to consult with Mr. C. H. Purcell, Director of Public Works in order to arrive at a mutually satisfactory plan for the classification and/or development of any oil deposits underlying State Highways which are at present or which might in the future be held in fee by either the Division of Highways or the Division of State Lands. The Executive Officer was further instructed to report back to the Commission in connection with such discussion.

13. (Temblor Area - Kern County.) The Commission unanimously deferred till the next meeting, the matter dealing with the effort made by the Richfield Oil Corporation to lease certain acreage in the Temblor Area located in Kern County. Such deferment was suggested because of the possibility of working out some agreement wherein the Regents of the University of California would join with the State Lands Commission in an effort to obtain a more satisfactory leasing arrangement than that presently being offered by Richfield. The Executive Officer was instructed to contact Mr. Robert Underhill, Business Manager, for the Board of Regents and Lieutenant Governor Houser, prior to the meeting of the Board of Regents which is to be held in San Francisco on Friday, August 27th at 2 p.m.

14. (Reports by Dr. E. K. Soper.) Two reports prepared by Dr. Soper, the State Lands Commission Consultant which dealt with the following, (A) H. R. Hamilton Lease No. 91, P.R.C. and (b) the Rio Vista new deep gas sand were read by the Executive Officer for the information of the Commission. The text of these reports follows: