

A special meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 306 State Capitol, Sacramento, on July 18, 1947 at 2:00 P.M.

Present: Honorable James S. Dean, Chairman  
Honorable Goodwin J. Knight, Member  
Honorable Thomas H. Kuchel, Member.

1. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the matter of a date for the next meeting of the Commission was deferred for later determination.

2. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted appointing Colonel Robert C. Hunter to the position of Executive Officer of the State Lands Commission, effective August 1, 1947, at a starting salary of \$615.00 monthly. The position is to be set up at \$20.00 salary steps, salary range \$535.00 to \$655.00.

3. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted placing J. Stuart Watson in his former civil service position of Assistant Executive Officer of the State Lands Commission, effective August 1, 1947, at the top salary bracket of the position.

4. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted placing Francis J. Hortig in his former civil service position of Associate Oil and Gas Engineer of the State Lands Commission, effective August 1, 1947, at the top salary bracket of the position.

5. After a report by Chairman Dean on his trip to Washington in connection with the Federal tideland suit, upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the Executive Officer was instructed as follows:

- (1) To obtain all United States Coast and Geodetic maps of the California coast and make a study on the position of the low water mark of the Pacific Ocean as of 1850 and 1947, presenting a report thereon to the Commission.
- (2) To direct a letter to the chairmen of county boards of supervisors, mayors, and other political subdivisions of the State which have been the recipients of legislative grants of tide and submerged lands, and to transmit therewith a copy of the United States Supreme Court decision and the two stipulations pertinent to this suit which have been entered into between the United States Attorney General and the Attorney General of California, said letter to be approved by Attorney General Fred N. Howser and copies thereof with enclosures to be sent to United States Senators and Congressmen from California and State Senators and Assemblymen.

- (3) To send a notice to all of the State's grantees under agreements for easement and lessees under State oil and gas leases, transmitting therewith a copy of the United States Supreme Court decision and the "status quo" stipulation pertinent thereto, and informing them of the State's requirements under the stipulation with respect to royalties to be impounded in the trust fund and the filing of the necessary oil well data, said notice also to be approved by Attorney General Howser.

6. The Executive Officer pointed out that upon the appointment of Colonel Hunter to the position of Executive Officer an additional automobile for Colonel Hunter's use would be desirable for the reason that the increased staff and workload of the Commission had necessitated additional automotive equipment. Upon the suggestion of Chairman Dean, the Executive Officer was advised to present the matter to the Department of Finance with supporting documents.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.