

A meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 306 State Capitol, Sacramento, on March 19, 1948, at 10:00 A. 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 minutes of the meeting of the State Lands Commission held in Los Angeles on February 6, 1948, were approved and confirmed as submitted.
2. Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the matter of a date for the next meeting of the Commission was deferred for later determination of a specific date in April. The suggestion was made, however, that the meeting be held in Los Angeles.
3. (Geophysical Exploration - The Texas Company - Los Angeles and Orange Counties - W.O. 263) The Commission was informed that a request had been received from The Texas Company for a permit to conduct geophysical exploration operations on submerged lands between Point Fermin and the Huntington Beach pier, Los Angeles and Orange Counties, during the period March 1 to April 30, 1948, inclusive, that approval had been given to The Texas Company by the Fish and Game Commission for the use of explosives for the period March 6, 1948 to April 30, 1948 and that the statutory \$5.00 filing fee had been deposited with the State Lands Commission.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to execute and issue a permit to The Texas Company for the conduct of geophysical exploration operations on State submerged lands offshore between Point Fermin and Huntington Beach pier, Los Angeles and Orange Counties, during the period March 6, 1948 to April 30, 1948, inclusive, subject to the agreement of the applicant to indemnify and save the State free and harmless of and from any and all liability in any way arising out of or in connection with the proposed operations.

4. (Geophysical Exploration - The Texas Company - Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties - W.O. 264) The Commission was informed that a request had been received from The Texas Company for a permit to conduct geophysical exploration operations on submerged lands between Square Tower, Montecito and the entrance to Port Huoneme in Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties, respectively, during the period March 20 to June 20, 1948, inclusive, that approval had been given by the Fish and Game Commission for the use of explosives for the period March 20 to June 6, 1948, inclusive, and that the statutory \$5.00 filing fee had been deposited with the State Lands Commission.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Officer to execute and issue a permit to The Texas Company for the conduct of geophysical exploration operations on State submerged lands offshore between Square Tower, Montecito, to the entrance to

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Port Hueneme, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties, during the period March 20 to June 6, 1948, inclusive, for the consideration of the statutory \$5.00 filing fee, subject to the agreement of the applicant to indemnify and save the State free and harmless of and from any and all liability in any way arising out of or in connection with the proposed operations.

5. (Geophysical Exploration - Union Oil Company of California - Santa Barbara County - W.O. 258) The Commission was informed that application has been received from the Union Oil Company for permission to conduct seismic operations on State submerged lands offshore between the Santa Barbara breakwater and Point Conception, Santa Barbara County, during the period covered by permits issued by the Fish and Game Commission for February 1, 1948 to June 20, 1948, inclusive, for the use of explosives, that permission has been granted, subject to confirmation by the State Lands Commission, to conduct operations for the period up to March 20, 1948, and that the statutory \$5.00 filing fee has been deposited with the State Lands Commission.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted confirming the issuance of the permit to the Union Oil Company for the conduct of geophysical operations on State submerged lands offshore and between Santa Barbara breakwater and Point Conception, Santa Barbara County, during the period February 1 to March 20, 1948, inclusive, for the consideration of the statutory \$5.00 filing fee deposited heretofore, and authorizing the extension of this permit to June 20, 1948, subject to the agreement of the applicant to indemnify and save the State free and harmless of and from any and all liability in any way arising out of or in connection with the proposed operations.

6. (Cancellation of Application for Mineral Prospecting Permit on Tide and Submerged Lands Southerly from City of Monterey - R. T. Van Ostrand - No. P.R.C. 209) The Commission was informed that on February 15, 1946 (page 621 of Minutes), the Commission authorized the issuance of a mineral prospecting permit to Mr. R. T. Van Ostrand on tide and submerged lands southerly from the City of Monterey for prospecting for gold and other valuable minerals, which permit was subject to payment of a rental of \$1.00 per acre on 2,880 acres.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted rescinding the authorization for the prospecting permit to Mr. Van Ostrand.

7. (Application for Right of Way - Mokelumne River - Western Pacific Railroad Company - W.C. 214) The Commission was informed that an application has been received from the Western Pacific Railroad Company for the installation and maintenance of a submarine signal cable across the Mokelumne River at a point approximately two miles north of Thornton, San Joaquin County, and that permission for this work has been given by the State Reclamation Board, the U. S. Engineer District and by this Division, subject to confirmation of the Commission.