

Discussions have been held with the Department of Finance on this problem, and an agreement has been drafted transferring jurisdiction of the Department of Finance lands to the State Lands Commission. The total acreage involved in the three tracts is 70.8 acres.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the entering into of an agreement with the Department of Finance for 70.8 acres of land under Finance jurisdiction in San Joaquin County on Tinsley Island and on Morrison's Island, San Joaquin County whereby jurisdiction of the lands involved shall be transferred to the State Lands Commission, said lands being encumbered with rights of way heretofore granted by the Department of Finance for the purpose of spoils deposits and construction of levees.

11. (Application Permanente Metals Corporation right of way for water line, W. O. 290) The Commission was informed that application has been received from the Permanente Metals Corporation for a right of way upon which to drill a fresh water well, produce fresh water and construct a water line to be used in connection with their existing soda plant at Owens Lake. This right of way is requested over Sections 24 and 25, T. 18 S., R. 36 E., and Sections 18 and 19, T. 18 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M. within the bed of Owens Lake.

Upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the issuance of a right of way easement to Permanente Metals Corporation for drilling and producing a fresh water well and construction of a water line across Sections 24 and 25, T. 18 S., R. 36 E., and Sections 18 and 19, T. 18 S., R. 37 E., M.D.B. & M. at an annual rental of \$40.00 plus 2 cents per lineal foot in accordance with the established policy of the Commission. Concurrent with the issuance of the right of way easement the Permanente Metals Corporation is to deposit a \$1,000.00 surety bond to guarantee performance under the lease and removal of the line at the expiration of the term or any extension thereof.

12. (Bids for lease of Owens Lake land, Permanente Metals Corporation, W.O. 272) The Commission was informed that on April 4, 1948, pursuant to application of the Permanente Metals Corporation for a lease of additional lands in Owens Lake, authorization was given for the advertisement of a notice of intention to receive bids. This notice was published in the Lone Pine Valley Progress Citizen on April 23, 1948, and April 30, 1948, and in the Los Angeles Daily Legal Journal on April 28, 1948. Pursuant to this notice a single bid was received from the Permanente Metals Corporation wherein they offered 50 cents per ton or 2 per cent of the average bulk value received F.O.B. plant at Owens Lake, whichever is the greater, for all minerals extracted from the 4.7 acres of State land in Owens Lake that was advertised. The bid form requires a minimum of 500 tons of minerals to be extracted each year from each acre contained in the area to be leased.