

A special meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 180, Business and Professions Building, Sacramento, California, on June 8, 1951, at 9.00 a.m.

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

1. (SANTA CATALINA ISLAND COMPANY, TIDE AND SUBMERGED LAND - LEASE P.R.C. 185, W.O. 233.) On August 29, 1950, the Commission authorized issuance of Lease P.R.C. 185, covering 223 acres of tide and submerged lands in seventeen coves at Catalina Island, which island is wholly owned by the Santa Catalina Island Company. The purpose of the lease is to reasonably control the placement of buoys used by recreational vessels in Catalina waters and thus avoid traffic problems and accidents that have occurred where vessel owners promiscuously anchor a buoy. The lease requires the Santa Catalina Island Company to obtain permission from the Commission on subleases.

The Santa Catalina Island Company has devised a permit system whereby a vessel owner may place a buoy on the leased land at an annual rate of \$10.00. In order to avoid recurrent requests for action by the Commission under the lease on individual buoy permits which might be construed as a sublease, the Santa Catalina Island Company has requested blanket approval of issuance of permits. The U. S. Army Engineers have control over placement of buoys, and will give approval to the Santa Catalina Island Company on an orderly plan of buoy placement.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ISSUE TO THE SANTA CATALINA ISLAND COMPANY, UNDER LEASE P.R.C. 185, BLANKET AUTHORITY FOR THEIR ISSUANCE OF ANNUAL PERMITS TO VESSEL OWNERS FOR LOCATION OF BUOYS ON THE LEASED AREA, PROVIDED PERMITTEES COMPLY WITH THE LEASE TERMS, THE HEALTH AND SAFETY LAWS, THE PROVISIONS OF THE NAVIGATION CODE, AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SUBJECT TO THE SANTA CATALINA ISLAND COMPANY FILING WITH THE COMMISSION A COPY OF THE PERMIT FORM ISSUED TO THE VESSEL OWNERS, AND A LIST ANNUALLY OF THE PERMITTEES.

2. (RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT, GEORGIANA SLOUGH, SACRAMENTO COUNTY, PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY - W.O. 1020, P.R.C. 596.) On May 24, 1951 (Minutes Item 12, Page 1369), the Commission authorized the Executive Officer to provide for transmission without restriction for any gas produced from the H. Hottinger Well Lopes No. 1 in the Isleton Area through the Pacific Gas and Electric Company pipeline on right-of-way easement P.R.C. 596 across Georgiana Slough, and further instructed the staff to report relative to the necessity for continuance of the aforesaid right-of-way easement restriction with respect to any other producing wells in the area.

Staff review as directed has shown that with the consummation of the Unit Agreement for the Isleton Gas Field (authorized by the Commission May 24, 1951, Item 29, Page 1381), the progress on the program for the leasing of State land in the River Island Field and adjoining area (authorized February 8, 1951, Item 9, Page 1270) and the limitations placed on the production of gas by the gas purchase contracts of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, the restriction relating to transmission of gas is

listed in Section 17 of right-of-way easement P.R.C. 596 authorized for issuance to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company on February 28, 1951 (Minute Item 9, Page 1286), is no longer required.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED REVERSING THE ACTION OF FEBRUARY 6, 1951 (ITEM 9, PAGE 1270), AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ISSUE TO THE PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT P.R.C. 596 OVER GEORGIANA SLOUGH, SACRAMENTO COUNTY, FOR THE INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF GAS TRANSMISSION LINES, SUCH RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT TO BE ISSUED IN THE STANDARD FORM AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSION WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIONS OR CONDITIONS AS TO QUANTITY OF GAS TO BE TRANSMITTED THROUGH SUCH LINES.

3. (LEGISLATION - ASSEMBLY BILL 5175.) The Commission was informed of the adverse effect to the tideland problem and existing State oil leases of A.B. 5175.

The Assistant Executive Officer advised that a conference was being arranged with Mr. Reed Bush of the Division of Oil and Gas to attempt to get his consent to amend this bill to the satisfaction of the State Lands Commission.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AUTHORIZING THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO TAKE A POSITIVE STAND WITH RESPECT TO THE AMENDMENTS DESIRED TO A.B. 5175.

(Please note that on the afternoon of June 6, 1951, satisfactory amendments to A.B. 5175 were adopted by the Senate Natural Resources Committee.)

There being no further business to come before the Commission, upon motion duly made and unanimously carried the meeting was adjourned.