

3. What is the effect of present tideland litigation?
4. Should leasing policy be statutory, without discretion in the Commission?
5. If not completely statutory, what limitations should be placed in the statutes?

In view of the fact that the Cunningham Committee has its last hearing before the 1954 Budget Session on January 15, 1954, in Los Angeles, the Commission suggested as possible dates for this hearing either January 4 or January 8, 1954.

5. (DEFERMENT OF OPERATING REQUIREMENTS, MINERAL EXTRACTION LEASE P.R.C. 709.1, CONSTRUCTION AGGREGATES CORPORATION, SAN FRANCISCO AND MARIN COUNTIES.) Construction Aggregates Corporation, lessee under Mineral Extraction Lease P.R.C. 709.1, issued February 14, 1952, pursuant to competitive public bidding, have reported that no material has been removed from the lease during the current operating year and that there is little prospect of any movement of material before the end of the lease year. Lease P.R.C. 709.1 requires an advance annual rental of \$900 and a royalty of 3 cents per cubic yard for all sand extracted and the performance of a specified minimum of one hundred shifts of extraction operations during each year of the term of the lease. The lessee is interested in continuation of the lease because of several prospects for future operations, but feels that the performance of the minimum shift requirements, without commercial removal of material, would serve no useful purpose. Therefore, it has been requested that the requirement for extraction operations be waived for the lease year ending February 13, 1954. In consideration of the lack of competition in bidding at the time of the lease offer, the prepaid annual rental, and the fact that no State lands have been occupied or utilized,

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

The Executive Officer is authorized to grant a deferment of the operating requirements specified in Section 10 of Mineral Extraction Lease P.R.C. 709.1 for the lease year ending February 13, 1954, all other terms, conditions and performance requirements under the subject lease to remain unchanged.

6. (SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 10619, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, KERN COUNTY, EDWARD V. JONES - S.W.O. 5659.) An offer has been received from Edward V. Jones of Los Angeles, California, to purchase the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, T. 29 S., R. 34 E., M.D.M., including timber thereon, containing 80 acres in Kern County. Mr. Jones has made an offer of \$400, or \$5 per acre.

The Assessor of Kern County advised that lands in the vicinity are assessed from \$1.25 to \$5 per acre. An inspection and appraisal by a member of the Commission's Staff on August 16, 1953, sets the minimum value of the subject land at \$5 per acre, plus timber value of \$6400.