

12. (FINANCING APPRAISAL AND TRAVEL COSTS FOR STATE LAND IN SILVER STRAND AREA, SAN DIEGO COUNTY - W.O.'s 1491, 1492, 1493.) At its meeting on August 25, 1954 (Minute Item 3, Minute pages 2142-43), the State Lands Commission authorized certain representatives of the Attorney General's office, the State Lands Commission, and the Division of Beaches and Parks to negotiate with appropriate officials of the United States Government for the use or acquisition by the latter of State-owned lands in the Silver Strand area, south of the City of Coronado, California, rather than submit to pending condemnation proceedings.

By letter of September 3, 1954, the Director of the Department of Natural Resources advised of the lack of funds available to that Department for the necessary appraisal costs and out-of-State travel expenses involved in such negotiations, and requested the State Lands Commission to carry those costs from funds available to it. The Division of Budgets and Accounts, Department of Finance, has advised that funds appropriated to the State Lands Commission for quiet title actions could be used for this purpose, and has stated that should this use deplete those funds to the detriment of other State Lands Commission requirements any deficiency would be made up from the "top" of the State Lands Act Fund.

Conference with the Attorney General's office has resulted in a tentative agreement to handle this matter through an interagency contract between the State Lands Commission and the Attorney General. In this way the Attorney General's office could arrange and contract for the requisite appraisal services and payment therefor.

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

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO CONTRACT WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE LATTER TO PROVIDE FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SETTLEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING CONDEMNATION ACTIONS NOW PENDING IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN DIVISION: SD-120, SD-540, SD-1516 AND SD-1530. THIS CONTRACT IS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THOSE PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSION FROM OTHER STATE AGENCIES TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THESE CASES. THE TOTAL CONSIDERATION TO BE PAID THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$10,000.

13. (SUBMARINE GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION, SANTA BARBARA, VENTURA, LOS ANGELES, ORANGE, AND SAN DIEGO COUNTIES, WESTERN GULF OIL COMPANY - W.O. 1916, P.R.C. 1445.1.) Western Gulf Oil Company has made application for authorization to conduct submarine geophysical exploration operations on those tide and submerged lands under the jurisdiction of the State Lands Commission lying between a line drawn due South from Point Conception, Santa Barbara County and the westerly prolongation of the California-Mexico Border. An operating permit has been requested for the period terminating December 31, 1954. The Boards of Supervisors of the Counties of Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego, and the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara were informed that this application was to be considered. The statutory filing fee has been paid by the applicant. x  
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