

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

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE PERMITS, CONFORMING TO ALL OPERATING CONDITIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION, TO THE WESTERN GULF OIL COMPANY FOR THE CONDUCT OF SUBMARINE GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION OPERATIONS ON THOSE TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION LYING OFFSHORE BETWEEN A LINE DRAWN DUE SOUTH FROM POINT CONCEPTION, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, AND THE WESTERLY PROLONGATION OF THE CALIFORNIA-MEXICO BORDER, FOR THE PERIOD TO DECEMBER 31, 1954, INCLUSIVE. THE PERMITTEE IS TO REIMBURSE THE DIVISION OF STATE LANDS FOR ALL OF ITS INSPECTION COSTS. THE PERMITS ARE TO BE EFFECTIVE ONLY AS LONG AS CONCURRENT PERMITS BY THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION ARE IN EFFECT FOR THE SAME OPERATING AREA.

14. (ACQUISITION BY THE UNITED STATES OF LANDS OCCUPIED BY THE NAVAL AIR MISSILE TEST CENTER, POINT MUGU, VENTURA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 126, GOVERNMENT CODE - W.O. 1530.) On September 3, 1953, the Commission authorized the Executive Officer to order and conduct the requisite hearings pursuant to Section 126 of the Government Code and under the Rules and Regulations adopted by the Commission on June 14, 1949, on applications relating to acquisition of lands by the United States, subject to report to the Commission of the determinations of hearings for final consideration and action.

On August 24, 1953, an application for acceptance of jurisdiction by the United States over lands comprising the United States Naval Air Missile Test Center, Point Mugu, California, was executed by the Honorable R. B. Anderson, Secretary of the Navy. Subsequent thereto, and by letter dated December 18, 1953, the Secretary of the Navy amended the afore-mentioned application of the United States to accept on behalf of the United States of America, "political jurisdiction to the full extent, granted by the Legislature of the State of California over the lands within that State", heretofore referred to as the United States Naval Air Missile Test Center, Point Mugu, California.

Pursuant to said application, arrangements were made to conduct the requisite public hearing at Room 302 State Building, Los Angeles, California, at 10 a.m., Wednesday, September 8, 1954.

The notice of said public hearing was published in the Ventura County Star Free Press, Ventura, California, on August 16, 1954, and service on the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Ventura County was made on the 13th day of August, 1954. Notices were thus published and served in compliance with Section 2602, California Administrative Code, Title 2.

A hearing was held by the Executive Officer at Room 302 State Building, Los Angeles, California, Wednesday, September 8, 1954, beginning at 10 a.m. A record of the hearing was made and the transcript was made a part of the Commission record in this case. The Attorney General was represented by George G. Grover, Deputy Attorney General. Appearances were made on behalf of the applicant by H. F. Tebbetts, Lieut., U. S. Naval Reserve; Stuart Foutz, Attorney Adviser, District Public Works Office, U. S. Navy; and Capt. Edward Madison Condra, Jr., U. S. Navy.