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MINUTE ITEM

22. AUTHORIZATION FOR SALE OF 328.64 ACRES STATE SCHOOL LANDS IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY TO JOHN S. BRITTAN - N-0355.

After consideration of Calendar Item 4 attached, and upon motion duly made and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE COMMISSION:

1. FINDS THAT THE WEST  $\frac{1}{2}$  SECTION 7, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING 328.64 ACRES MORE OR LESS IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, IS NOT SUITABLE FOR CULTIVATION WITHOUT ARTIFICIAL IRRIGATION.
2. AUTHORIZES THE SALE OF SAID PARCEL, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS AND GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES, TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, JOHN S. BRITTAN, AT THE CASH PRICE OF \$31,550.

Attachment

Calendar Item 4 (2 pages)

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4.

SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND  
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Under an exchange transaction with the United States Bureau of Land Management (Exchange 75, S.W.O. 6203), the State acquired, for the benefit of Mr. John S. Brittan, the following described lands in San Bernardino County:

West  $\frac{1}{2}$ , Section 7, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., S.B.M.,  
containing 328.64 acres more or less.

Transfer of title to the State by the United States was accomplished by United States Patent dated May 23, 1968.

THE PROPERTY:

Location: 15 road miles east of Lucerne Valley.

Suitability for Cultivation:

Less than 50% of the land is suitable for cultivation without artificial irrigation.

Access: Public dirt roads pass through the property.

Water: No surface water; subsurface water possible at 164'.

Terrain: Flat gently rolling desert.

Elevation: High, 2920'; low, 2880'.

Cover: Desert brush.

Highest and Best Use:

Recreational homesites.

Minimum Appraised Value:

\$31,550.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

During 1955, pursuant to established regulatory procedure whereunder members of the public could apply to the State Lands Commission for the acquisition of vacant federal land through the medium of a State exchange with the United States, applications were received from numerous individuals. Upon receipt of such applications, the State, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 6443 and 8552 of the Public Resources Code and Section 8 of the Taylor Grazing Act (Act of Congress approved June 28, 1934, as amended), filed an exchange application with the United States Bureau of Land Management, on behalf of the applicants. By Commission action on February 23, 1967, the exchange of land

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was authorized by the Commission, with the further stipulation that the land would be sold under regulations in effect at the date of the original application (1955).

The lands have been appraised and advertised in accordance with regulations in effect in 1955. Mr. John S. Brittan, the original (first) applicant, was the only bidder. His bid was \$31,550.

EXHIBIT: A. Location map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

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