

MINUTE ITEM

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6. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A WASTE-WATER OUTFALL LINE, OIL AND GAS LEASE E 392.1, HUNTINGTON BEACH, ORANGE COUNTY; SIGNAL OIL AND GAS COMPANY - W 9457, E 392.1.

During consideration of Calendar Item 4 attached, and at the request of the Chairman, the Executive Officer explained the proposed project, after which he read into the record the following telegram of March 29, 1972, from the Huntington Beach Environmental Council of the City of Huntington Beach:

"AFTER BRIEF REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL MEMBERS FIND NO REASON TO DELAY SIGNAL OUTFALL ADDITION. REQUEST CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, BE NOTIFIED REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT OF ALL FUTURE PROJECTS WITHIN CITY LIMITS."

Dr. Robert E. Winchell appeared in pro per in opposition to the item, and a copy of his statement is on file in the office of the State Lands Commission.

Following a lengthy discussion, and upon motion made by Commissioner Verne Orr and seconded by Chairman Houston I. Flournoy, the following resolution was adopted:

SUBJECT TO A STAFF REPORT AND POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION BY THE COMMISSION ON PLUGGING OR REMOVING THE 16-INCH LINE, THE COMMISSION:

1. FINDS THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT NO. 45 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF, THE INSTALLATION OF THE WASTE-WATER OUTFALL LINE WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT DETRIMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT.
2. AUTHORIZES THE APPROVAL OF THE INSTALLATION OF A 24-INCH WASTE-WATER OUTFALL LINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY SIGNAL OIL AND GAS COMPANY, THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF OIL AND GAS LEASE E 392.1, AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION.

The Executive Officer was instructed to report to the Commission within sixty days on the authorization and control of waste-water outfall lines in other oil producing states.

(Note: Commissioner Reinecke left the meeting at approximately 10:25 a.m., and was not present during consideration of the above item.)

Attachment:

Calendar Item 4 (2 pages)

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PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A WASTE WATER OUTFALL LINE
OIL AND GAS LEASE E. 392.1

LEASE: E. 392.1
LESSEE: Signal Oil and Gas Company
COUNTY: Orange
AREA: Huntington Beach

PERTINENT INFORMATION:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6827 of the Public Resources Code, Oil and Gas Lease 392.1 was issued on September 25, 1958, to Southwest Exploration Company in exchange for Agreement for Easement 392.1 (issued originally September 26, 1938, pursuant to competitive public bidding) for a period of 20 years. The term of the lease now held by Signal Oil and Gas Company is for so long as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities, as authorized by the Public Resources Code.

A proposed additional 24-inch waste water outfall line will be adjacent to an existing 16-inch outfall and will serve as an emergency disposal means for backup of the surface reinjection of brines into oil-bearing sands. The existing 16-inch line will be used only on an emergency basis whenever the proposed additional line requires maintenance.

An Environmental Impact Report, EIR No. 45, has been prepared in connection with the application, concluding that the proposed project would not have a significant detrimental environmental effect. The report has been filed in the offices of the Commission in Los Angeles and Sacramento for public availability. All affected agencies, including the Resources Agency, have reviewed the EIR, and have indicated that they have no objections to the proposed project.

Permits required additionally from the Corps of Engineers and the State Water Resources Control Board have been issued to the applicant.

The project application was referred to the Department of Parks and Recreation, and to the Office of the Attorney General for review as required by Section 6818 of the Public Resources Code.

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After examination and review, the Department of Parks and Recreation has reported that the proposed outfall line will not interfere with the recreational use of lands littoral to the tide and submerged lands involved.

The Office of the Attorney General has advised that all applicable provisions of law and the rules and regulations of the Commission have been satisfied.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT NO. 45 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF, THE INSTALLATION OF THE WASTE WATER OUTFALL LINE WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT DETRIMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT.
2. AUTHORIZE THE APPROVAL OF THE INSTALLATION OF A 24-INCH WASTE WATER OUTFALL LINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY SIGNAL OIL AND GAS COMPANY, THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF OIL AND GAS LEASE E. 392.1 AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION.