

MINUTE ITEM

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29. LEGISLATIVE REPORT ON THE STATUS OF LAND EXCHANGES - W 8807, W 20704, W 20705.

After consideration of Calendar Item 28 attached, and upon motion duly made and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE COMMISSION:

1. APPROVES THE REPORT ENTITLED "REPORT ON STATUS OF LAND EXCHANGES AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 973, STATUTES OF 1973" ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A" AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; AND
2. AUTHORIZES THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE REPORT TO THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF THE SENATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 8, CHAPTER 973, STATUTES OF 1973.

Attachment:

Calendar Item 28 (2 pages)

CALENDAR ITEM

28.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT ON THE
STATUS OF LAND EXCHANGES

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Chapter 973, Statutes of 1973, authorized the State Lands Commission to exchange vacant State school lands under its jurisdiction for lands owned by any State agency, political subdivision, or person, partnership, company or corporation for the purpose of acquiring lands for seven specified projects. Section 8 of the chapter provides that the State Lands Commission shall report to the Legislature not later than July 1, 1974, on the status of the land exchanges authorized by this act.

A status report has been prepared and is attached as Exhibit "A". The report shows that negotiations have been actively pursued for the three top priority projects with the transaction covering the first priority item nearly completed.

EXHIBIT: A. Report on Status of Land Exchanges Authorized by
 Chapter 973, Statutes of 1973.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. APPROVE THE REPORT ENTITLED "REPORT ON STATUS OF LAND EXCHANGES AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 973, STATUTES OF 1973" ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A" AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; AND
2. AUTHORIZE THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE REPORT TO THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF THE SENATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 8, CHAPTER 973, STATUTES OF 1973.

Attachment: Exhibit "A"

EXHIBIT "A"

REPORT ON STATUS OF LAND EXCHANGES AUTHORIZED BY
CHAPTER 973, STATUTES OF 1973

Section 8 of Chapter 973, Statutes of 1973, provides that the State Lands Commission report to the Legislature not later than July 1, 1974, on the status of the land exchanges authorized by the act.

Negotiations have been actively carried on for the three top priority projects identified in the act as follows:

1. Big Horn Sheep Habitat in Riverside County:

The State Lands Commission at its March 1974 meeting authorized the execution of an exchange between the State and Kaiser Steel Corporation of 466.66 acres of State school land near Eagle Mountain for 640 acres of privately-owned land on the south slope of the Chuckwalla Mountains, desirable as Big Horn Sheep habitat. The transaction is nearly completed and exchange of deeds is expected prior to July 15, 1974.

2. Acquisition of coastal beach and uplands in Santa Cruz County for the State Park system:

In December 1973, the Department of Parks and Recreation reordered this project from No. 3 to No. 2 priority. Negotiations are in progress involving State school lands within national forests which contain commercially valuable timber stands for use in exchange for the Santa Cruz County property. These negotiations involve, in addition to the private land owners, the U. S. Forest Service which is interested in eventually acquiring the school lands through purchase or exchange subsequent to State exchange.

3. Expansion of Millerton Lake State Recreation Area in Madera County:

Negotiations are continuing with the owner of private lands at Millerton Lake although identification of school land parcels to be exchanged is awaiting further resolution of the lands to be used for exchange for the priority 2, Santa Cruz property.