

MINUTE ITEM

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No. 46 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 2
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meeting.

CALENDAR ITEM

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W 40243
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LAND EXCHANGE WITH CITY OF LOS ANGELES

APPLICANT: Department of Water and Power
City of Los Angeles

PROPOSED AUTHORIZATION:
Approval of a land exchange involving parcels
in Inyo County.

PROPOSED PROJECT:

Lake Minerals Corporation holds a lease from the Commission for the mining of trona in the bed of Owens Lake. Lake Minerals proposes to significantly expand its operations and requires a larger upland site adjacent to its leasehold. That property is now owned by the City of Los Angeles and the United States. Under the proposed project the State would acquire this City and federal land in exchange for State owned lands in Kern and Inyo Counties. The land would then be leased to Lake Minerals Corporation.

This exchange involves a 20-acre parcel of federal land which is littoral to Owens Lake. The proposal is for the State to acquire this parcel through the indemnity selection process and then convey it through an exchange to the City. The parcel has been withdrawn from sale by the United States under a withdrawal for protection of water resources in favor of Los Angeles. The City is willing to consent to a lifting of the withdrawal if the Commission will transfer water rights to it during the exchange. The Commission's authorization for the exchange is needed at this time in order to secure the City's approval of the transaction.

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In the exchange the State will retain all minerals and the City will convey all minerals to the State. All statutory and constitutional easements will be reserved to the State.

OTHER INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Adm. Code 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA under the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The staff believes there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Authority: 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15061(b)(3).

STATUTORY REFERENCES:

P.R.C 6216 and PRC 7303.5.

AB 884:

N/A.

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit A - Site Map.

Exhibit B - Description of State property at Owens Lake.

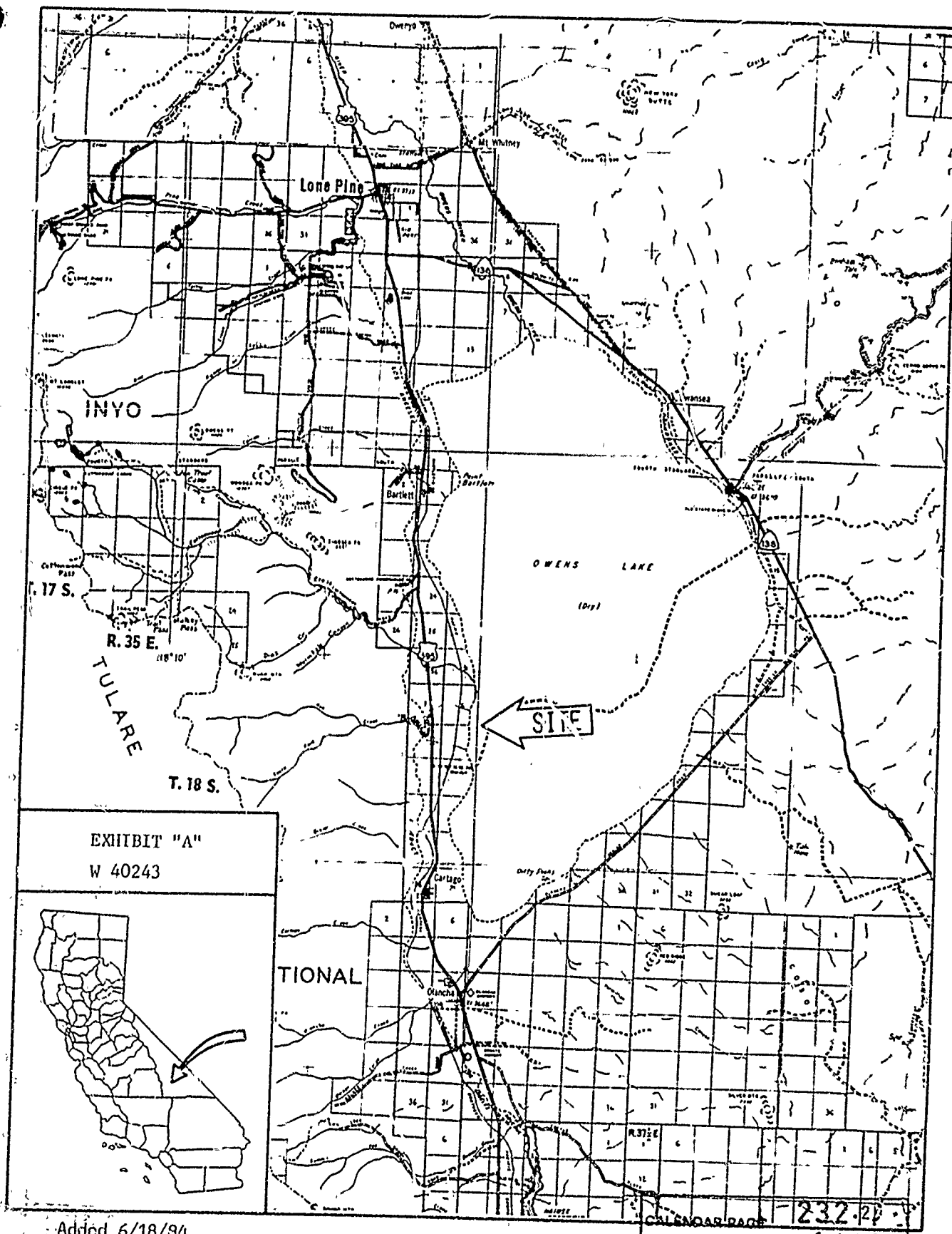
Exhibit C - Description of City of Los Angeles property at Owens Lake.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061 BECAUSE THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY THAT THE ACTIVITY MAY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. (14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061(b)(3)).
2. APPROVE THE EXCHANGE OF 20 ACRES OF STATE OWNED LAND FOR 20 ACRES OF LAND OWNED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER, CITY OF LOS ANGELES AS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBITS B AND C TO THIS CALENDAR ITEM. STATUTORY AND CONSTITUTIONAL EASEMENTS TO BE RESERVED BY THE STATE. MINERALS IN BOTH PARCELS WILL BE EITHER RESERVED OR CONVEYED TO THE STATE. WATER RIGHTS IN BOTH PARCELS WILL BE EITHER RESERVED OR CONVEYED TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

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EXHIBIT "B"

LAND DESCRIPTION

W 40243

A parcel of land situated in Inyo County, California, more particularly described as follows:

The fractional SW-1/4 of SE-1/4 of fractional Section 6,
T18S R37E, MDM, according to the official plat thereof,
dated August 13, 1856.

END OF DESCRIPTION

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EXHIBIT "C"

LAND DESCRIPTION

W 40243

A parcel of land situated in Inyo County, California, more particularly described as follows:

The W-1/4 of N-1/2 of Lot 1 of SW-1/4 of fractional Section 6, T18S R37E, MDM, according to official plat thereof, dated August 13, 1856.

END OF DESCRIPTION

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