

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. 22
is submitted for information
only, no action thereon
being necessary.

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DESERT AREA EXCHANGE WITH BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Isolated school lands in the desert form the majority of the Commission's asset in land. Most are remote, without development potential, and surrounded by Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands. Many have sensitive environmental attributes preventing their use as revenue sources for STRS. Most have been determined by staff to have little or no mineral values.

The staff is preparing a large exchange proposal which offers BLM up to 50,000 acres of scattered desert school sections (40 to 640 acres in size) in exchange for about 5,000 acres in the vicinities of Barstow, Victorville and Yucca Valley. The selected BLM lands will have much higher value and much better development, lease or sale potential than the school sections proposed for passing to BLM.

When the exchange package is finalized, the staff will present it to the Commission for approval or denial.

AB 884: N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT 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

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significant effect on the environment,
based upon the rationale that this activity
will involve no change to the physical
environment.

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

EXHIBIT: A. Location Map.

Offered Lands **Selected Lands**

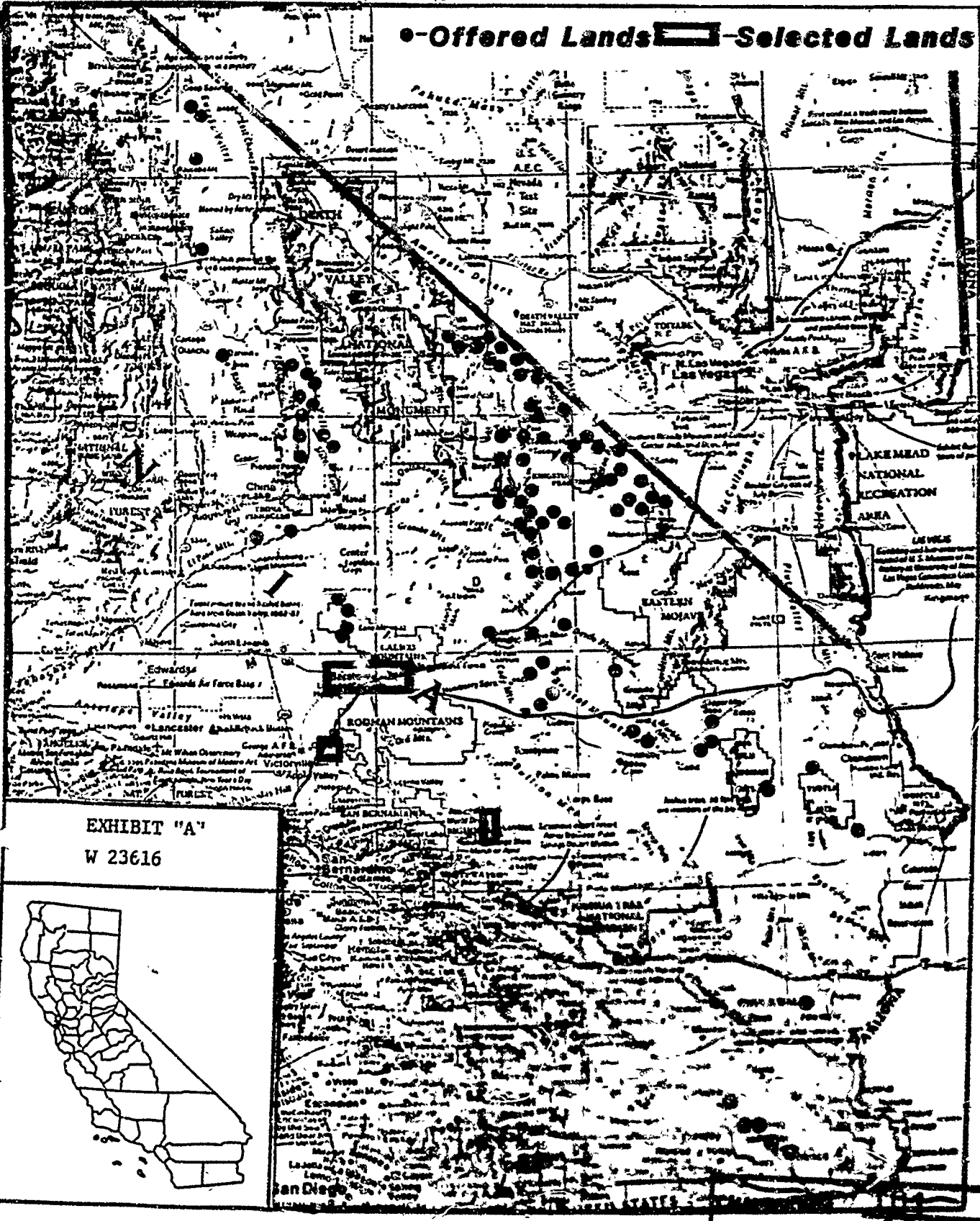


EXHIBIT "A"
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