

MINUTE ITEM
This Calendar Item No. 63
was approved as Minute Item
No. 3 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 2
to 0 at its 11-19-87
meeting.

CALENDAR ITEM

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GENERAL PERMIT - PUBLIC AGENCY

APPLICANT: Department of Fish and Game
153 South Broadway
P.O. Box 8D
Blythe, California 92226

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:
2.0± acres of sovereign land in the bed of the
Colorado River near Blythe, San Bernardino
County.

LAND USE: Install and maintain artificial fish habitat.

TERMS OF PROPOSED PERMIT:
Initial period: 25 years beginning October 1,
1987.

CONSIDERATION: The public use and benefit; with the State
reserving the right at any time to set a
monetary rental if the Commission finds such
action to be in the State's best interest.

BASIS FOR CONSIDERATION:
Pursuant to 2 Cal. Adm. Code 2003.

APPLICANT STATUS:
N/A.

PREREQUISITE CONDITIONS, FEES AND EXPENSES:
Filing fee has been received.

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STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

- A. P.R.C.: Div. 6, Parts 1 and 2; Div. 13.
- B. Cal. Adm. Code: Title 2, Div. 3; Title 14, Div. 6.

AB 884: 04/01/88.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. The Department of Fish and Game proposes to conduct a fish and wildlife enhancement program along a portion of the Colorado River that includes lands under the State Lands Commissions jurisdiction. The project will consist of installing an artificial fish habitat within Beal Slough to enhance fish breeding and protection. Those habitat improvements will include brush shelters, anchored logs, boulder reefs, and spawning gravel. Shoreline habitat will also be increased by the planting of willows, cottonwoods and bulrush.
2. The annual rental value of the site is estimated to be \$800.
3. The Applicant has requested waiver of the \$450 processing cost for this transaction; the State's sovereign lands will share in the benefits of this habitat restoration project. Additionally, Applicant periodically inspects and manages the Commission's lands and habitat areas due to the isolated location of such lands. Commission staff recommends waiver of the normal \$450 processing cost in this instance.

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4. 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 as a categorical exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 4, Minor Alteration to Land and Class 6, Information Collection, 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15304(d) and 15306.

Authority: P.R.C. 21084 and 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15300.

APPROVALS OBTAINED:

United States Corps of Engineers.

FURTHER APPROVALS REQUIRED:

None.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Land Description.
B. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR PAYMENT OF \$450 PROCESSING COST.
2. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061 AS A CATEGORICAL EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATION TO LAND AND CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION, 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15304(d) AND 15306.
3. AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME OF A 25-YEAR GENERAL PERMIT - PUBLIC AGENCY USE BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1987; IN CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC USE AND BENEFIT, WITH THE STATE RESERVING THE RIGHT AT ANY TIME TO SET A MONETARY RENTAL IF THE COMMISSION FINDS SUCH ACTION TO BE IN THE STATE'S BEST INTEREST; FOR INSTALLATION OF ARTIFICIAL FISH HABITATS ON THE LAND DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF.

EXHIBIT "A"

LAND DESCRIPTION

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Nine parcels of land in the bed of the Colorado River (Beal Slough area), situate in Sections 25 and 26, T8N, R23E, S3M, more particularly described as follows:

That area immediately beneath nine fish habitat enhancement projects located in nine coves within Beal Slough TOGETHER WITH any necessary use area within the coves.

END OF DESCRIPTION

PREPARED BY BIU #1, AUGUST 4, 1987

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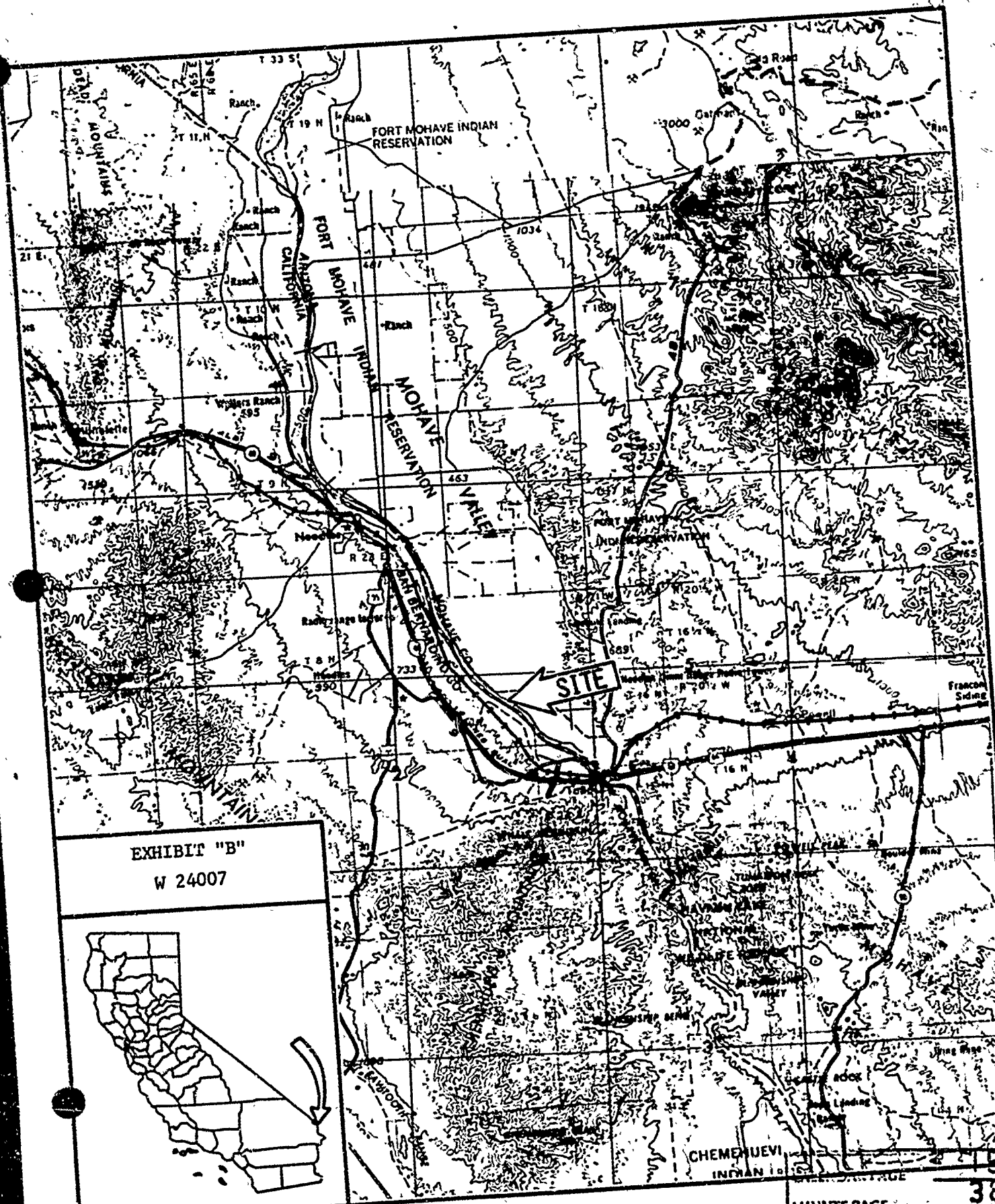


EXHIBIT "B"
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