

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. 16  
was approved as Minute Item  
No. 16 by the State Lands  
Commission by a vote of 3  
to 0 at its 1-21-88  
meeting.

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APPROVAL OF ONE-YEAR EXTENSION  
OF SALVAGE PERMIT PRC 7035

APPLICANT: Maurice A. Enderle, DBA  
The Enderle Group  
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BACKGROUND:

At its January 22, 1987 meeting, the Commission approved a one-year salvage permit, effective January 1, 1987 to Maurice A. Enderle (DBA, The Enderle Group) covering 40± acres within the bed of Owens Lake, Inyo County, for the salvage of silver and artifacts from a sunken vessel or vessels.

The permittee has subsequently conducted exploratory salvage work on the site in compliance with the Commission's permit requirements. The permittee has submitted regular status reports of salvage activities as required, and has cooperated with local agencies and parties affected by the project.

Based upon initial investigatory findings, the permittee has requested the additional one year extension.

CURRENT SITUATION:

As originally reported to the Commission, the salvage activity is situated within an area under extractive lease to Lake Minerals Corporation. Our lessee provided written acceptance of the salvage activity, and as the result of amiable relations with our salvage permittee, has no objection to the proposed one-year extension.

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Commission staff has secured written agreement from the permittee extending the existing salvage permit for a period of one year from January 1, 1988; all other terms and conditions of the existing permit to remain in full force and effect.

The Negative Declaration (EIR ND 410, SCH No. 8611 1003), certified by the Commission on January 22, 1987, considered the overall salvage operation. This activity would merely allow the applicant an additional year in which to complete the project.

Neither the activities covered nor the circumstances surrounding those activities has changed. Staff has concluded that there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment.

AB 884: N/A.

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 AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN MAURICE A. ENDERLE - DBA THE ENDERLE GROUP, PERMITTEE, AND THE COMMISSION TO EXTEND FOR ONE-YEAR, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1988, SALVAGE PERMIT PRC 7035 WITH ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID PERMIT REMAINING IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT, FOR THE SALVAGE OF PRECIOUS BULLION AND ARTIFACTS OF HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL VALUE ON THE BED OF OWENS LAKE, INYO COUNTY.