

MINUTE ITEM

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No. 40 by the State Lands  
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APPROVAL OF A NON-EXCLUSIVE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY PERMIT  
ON TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF  
THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION

APPLICANT: Union Oil Company of California  
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PROPOSED AUTHORIZATION:

Approval of a Non-Exclusive Geological Permit for three years  
to conduct geological surveys on tide and submerged lands under  
the ownership jurisdiction of the State Lands Commission to the  
three-mile limit, within permit regions I, II, III and IV as  
depicted on Exhibit "A" hereto.

TERMS: The term of the Non-Exclusive Geological Survey  
Permit is three years.

PREREQUISITE ITEMS:

Required statutory filing fee, expense deposit,  
and performance bond.

STATUTORY REFERENCE:

- A. P.R.C. Section 6826.
- B. Cal. Code Regs., Title 2,  
Section 2905(e)(3).
- C. Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, Section 15061.

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. The geological surveys authorized under the terms of the permit are for the purpose of obtaining shallow samples of the seafloor for geotechnical information. The data obtained is used in the design of offshore structures (pipelines, marine terminals, platforms, etc.) and in the technical and environmental analyses of offshore oil and gas operations.

The shallow samples are obtained using nonrotary techniques (dart, jet, percussion, grab) from a self-contained vessel. The vessel is typically no larger (50 to 150 feet in length, six-foot draft) than fishing boats used in the Santa Barbara channel.

2. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to P.R.C. 6370, et. seq. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the permit as part of the program for the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.
3. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 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 6, Information Collection, the collection of data for information purposes where minimal or no disturbance of State land is involved, 2 Cal. Code Regs. 2905(e)(3).

Authority: P.R.C. 21084, 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15300, and 2 Cal. Code Regs. 2905.

EXHIBIT:

- A. Permit Regions.

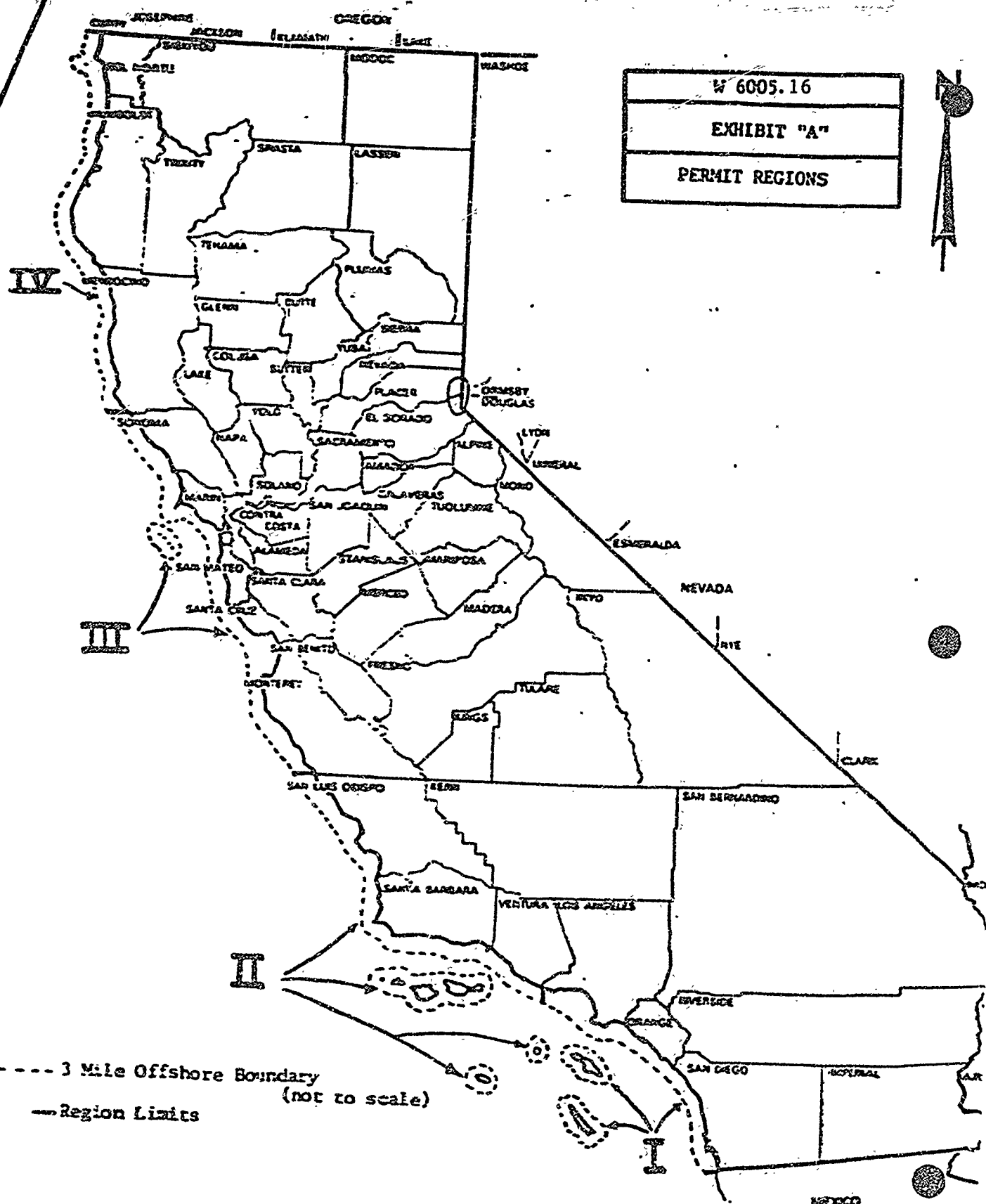
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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15061 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION, 2 CAL. CODE REGS. 2905(e)(3).
2. AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA OF A NON-EXCLUSIVE GENERAL PERMIT TO CONDUCT GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 1990 THROUGH MARCH 31, 1993 WITHIN PERMIT REGIONS I, II, III AND IV AS DEFINED ON EXHIBIT "A" HERETO.

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 EXHIBIT "A"  
 PERMIT REGIONS



--- 3 Mile Offshore Boundary (not to scale)  
 --- Region Limits

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