#### MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. <u>C</u> 39 was approved as Minute Item No. 39 by the California State Lands Commission by a vote of 3 to 6 at its 09-13-07 meeting

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#### **GENERAL LEASE – GRAZING USE**

#### APPLICANT:

Martin Larralde

#### AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Three parcels totaling 768 acres, more or less, of State school lands located near the town of Spangler and the city of Ridgecrest, San Bernardino County.

#### **AUTHORIZED USE:**

Sheep grazing.

#### LEASE TERM:

Ten years, beginning July 27, 2007.

#### **CONSIDERATION:**

\$500 per year; with the State reserving the right to fix a different rent periodically during the lease term, as provided in the lease.

#### **SPECIFIC LEASE PROVISIONS:**

- Liability insurance with coverage of no less than \$1,000,000.
- 2. Number of animals permitted on the Lease Premises is restricted to those that can be supported by vegetation.
- 3. Applicant must exercise good grazing practices to avoid over grazing.

#### OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

On July 11, 1997, the Commission authorized a General Lease – Grazing Use to Martin Larralde for a term of ten years. That lease expired on July 26, 2007, and the Applicant is now applying for a new General Lease - Grazing Use to continue sheep grazing.

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- 2. The number of animals permitted on the Lease Premises is restricted to those that can be supported by the forage and water available on this ephemeral range area taking into consideration forage and water reserved for necessary wildlife use. The estimated carrying capacity in animal unit months of the Lease Premises is approximately 52.6 AUM. Sheep are grazed during the months of March, April and May in years when ephemeral forage is available and may vary over the term of this lease due to climatic conditions and/or other natural phenomena.
- 4. The Applicant is required to use good grazing practices to avoid overgrazing of the Lease Premises. The Commission may at any time during the Lease term, make an analysis of forage conditions utilizing accepted range management practices. Such analysis shall indicate grazing conditions and may include a determination of forage levels, at various times, during the year. Lessor shall have the right to require Lessee to move sheep to or from any area of the Lease Premises where an overgrazing situation may exist for a period of time consistent with the grazing analysis. If supplemental feeding is utilized, distribution of feed will be such that livestock are not concentrated so as to cause damage to vegetation and soil and Lessee shall only allow supplemental feeding of certified weed-free feed.
- 5. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land; Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905 (d)(1).

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15300 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905.

6. This activity involves lands which have NOT been identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq. However, the Commission has declared that all tide and submerged lands are "significant" by nature of their public ownership (as opposed to "environmentally significant"). Since such declaration of significance is not based upon the requirements and criteria of Public Resources Code sections 6370, et seq., use classifications for

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such lands have not been designated. Therefore, the finding of the project's consistency with the use classification as required by Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2954 is not applicable.

#### **EXHIBITS:**

- A. Site and Location Map
- B. Land Description

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

#### **CEQA FINDING:**

FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATION TO LAND; TITLE 2, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 2905 (d)(1).

#### **AUTHORIZATION:**

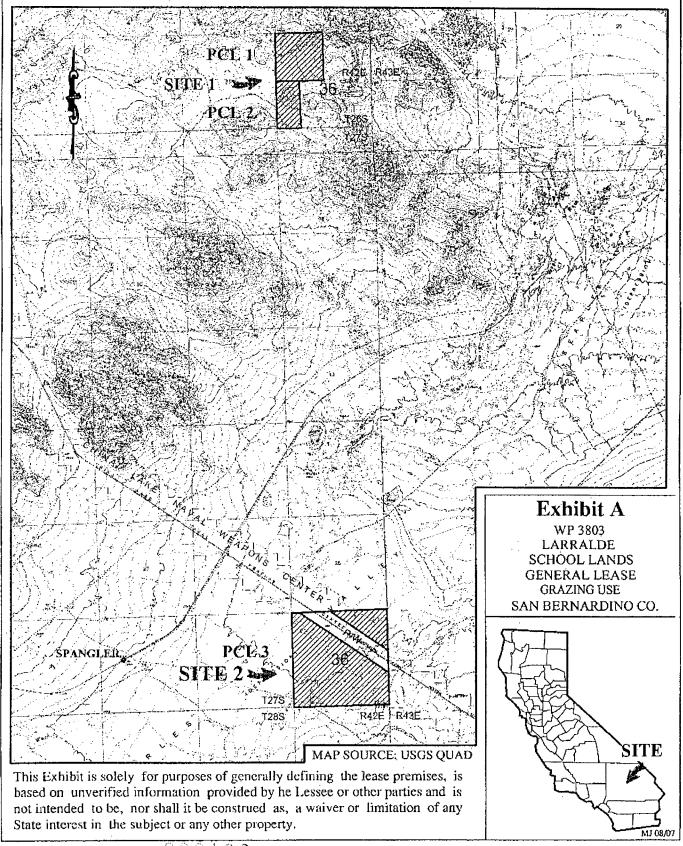
AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO MARTIN LARRALDE OF A GENERAL LEASE – GRAZING USE, BEGINNING JULY 27, 2007, FOR A TERM OF TEN YEARS, FOR SHEEP GRAZING AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; ANNUAL RENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500, WITH THE STATE RESERVING THE RIGHT TO FIX A DIFFERENT RENT PERIODICALLY DURING THE LEASE TERM, AS PROVIDED IN THE LEASE; LIABILTIY INSURANCE FOR COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT COVERAGE OF \$1,000,000.

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# NW 1/4 SEC 36, T26S, R42E, MDBM & W ½ SW SECTION 36, T26S, R42E, MDBM NEAR TOWNS OF SPANGLER & RIDGECREST IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY



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# EXHIBIT B LAND DESCRIPTION

PRC 3803.2

Three parcels of California State School Lands situated in San Bernardino County, State of California and more particularly described as follows:

#### PARCEL 1

The Northwest 1/4 of Section 36, Township 26 South, Range 42 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, per Official Township Plat for Township 27 South, Range 42 East, approved on March 24, 1897.

#### PARCEL 2

The West ½ of the SW 1/4 of Section 36, Township 26 South, Range 42 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, per Official Township Plat for Township 27 South, Range 42 East, approved on March 24, 1897.

#### PARCEL 3

Section 36, Township 27 South, Range 42 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, per Official Township Plat for Township 27 South, Range 42 East, approved on March 24, 1897.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM, from said Section 36, Township 27 South, Range 42 East, Mount Diablo Meridian a 112.3 acre parcel of land embraced in grant of right-of-way by the California State Lands Commission to the Department of the Navy, under PRC 555.9. This grant was issued on December 1, 1952.

#### **END DESCRIPTION**

PREPARED ON MAY 13, 1997, BY CRIS N. PEREZ, L.S. #5169, CALIFORNIA STATE LANDS COMMISSION



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