

19. (EXPERIMENTAL SUBMARINE SEISMIC OPERATIONS, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICS, INC. - W.O. 1536, P.R.C. 855.1.) International Geophysics, Inc. has made application for the authorization of the conduct of experimental submarine seismic operations in cooperation with the Scripps Institution of Oceanography on tide and submerged lands under the jurisdiction of the State Lands Commission lying offshore in San Diego County, during the period November 1, 1953, to January 31, 1954.

The proposed experimental work is to be conducted to evaluate techniques which may improve the present standards as to damage to fish life and insure further against any possibility of damage to marine and coastal structures.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego were informed that this application was to be considered.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

The Executive Officer is authorized to issue a permit to International Geophysics, Inc. for the conduct of experimental submarine seismic operations on those tide and submerged lands under the jurisdiction of the State Lands Commission lying offshore in San Diego County, for the period November 1, 1953, to January 31, 1954, the permittee to reimburse the Division of State Lands for all of its inspection costs. The permit is to be effective only so long as a concurrent permit by the Fish and Game Commission is in effect for the use of explosives in the same operating area.

20. (APPLICATION TO PURCHASE MINERAL RESERVATION, M. B. AND B. A. GARTON - W.O. 1494.) An application has been made by M. B. and B. A. Garton, as successors in interest to the former estate of Joe Neiskar, for the purchase of the mineral reservation retained by the State of California in the sale by the Controller of the south half of Lot 33 in Block "R" of the Town of Hawthorne, in the City of Hawthorne, as per map recorded in Book 15, Pages 110 and 111 of Maps, in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County. The mineral reservation is contained in the deed from the State to M. B. and B. A. Garton, dated September 26, 1946.

The application for purchase is made under Chapter 1212 of the Statutes of 1949 (Section 6406, Public Resources Code), and the procedure for disposition of reserved mineral rights in escheated lands as established by the Commission.

The subject land consists of cl. half of an original residential subdivision lot in the City of Hawthorne, and has been inspected by the Staff. There are no surface indications of mineral value in the tract. The tract area is now zoned for business and residence and it is proposed that the subject lot be utilized for extension of an existing market parking lot. Excavation for the removal of minerals or the drilling for oil or gas could only be conducted under special City permit and such use would be contrary to the established zoning. The nearest oil or gas production is in the El Segundo field, approximately two miles west from the subject property. Therefore, it is a conclusion of the Staff that the land may be classified as not having any currently known mineral value. The filing fee in the amount of \$5 has been deposited by the applicants.