

A regular meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 5100 State Capitol, Sacramento 14, California, on Wednesday and Thursday, March 9 and 10, 1955, convening at 10 a.m. on March 9.

Present: Robert C. Kirkwood, Chairman  
Harold J. Powers, Member  
John M. Peirce, Member

Staff Members in Attendance:  
Rufus W. Putnam, Executive Officer  
J. Stuart Watson, Assistant Executive Officer  
F. J. Hortig, Mineral Resources Engineer  
Elsie F. Latta, Acting Secretary

Others in Attendance:

For Item 3, Proposed Oil and Gas Leases

John A. Murdy, Jr., State Senator, 35th District  
A. J. Shults, Attorney

Attorney General's Office  
George Grover

California Coastal Shore Line Protective Assn.  
Hugh B. Martin

City of Huntington Beach  
Roy Seabridge, Mayor

Division of Beaches and Parks  
Newton B. Drury

Honolulu Oil Corporation  
T. C. Moroney

Monterey Oil Company  
E. E. Pyles

Newport Harbor Chamber of Commerce  
Maurice Stanley

Richfield Oil Corporation  
F. E. McPhillips  
Mervyn W. Phelan

Signal Oil and Gas Company  
Paul Ottoson  
Harold F. Clary  
Carl Zamloch

Standard Oil Company of California  
Warren Lawrence  
James L. Wausig

The Superior Oil Company  
Paul Lower

Tide Water Associated Oil Company  
D. G. Andrews

Union Oil Company of California et al.  
Alvin J. Rockwell, Attorney

For Item 4, Legislation

Newton B. Drury, Chief, Division of Beaches and Parks  
John A. Murdy, Jr., State Senator, 35th District  
Joseph C. Shell, Assemblyman, 58th District

1. The Commission deferred confirmation of the minutes of the meeting of the State Lands Commission held in Los Angeles on February 24, 1955.
2. UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION WOULD BE HELD AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIRMAN.
3. (PROPOSED OIL AND GAS LEASES, TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS, HUNTINGTON BEACH, ORANGE COUNTY - W.O. 1809, W.O. 1864.) The following report was presented to the Commission by the staff:

"At the public hearing held February 24, 1955, with respect to the possible construction of islands offshore of the City of Huntington Beach in connection with oil and gas leases under consideration for issuance, municipalities, organizations and individuals appeared as follows in protest to any development of State tide and submerged lands from offshore filled-land drill sites:

1. City of Huntington Beach: C. A. Bauer, City Attorney
2. Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce: W. Galliano, Manager
3. Associated Chambers of Commerce of Orange County: S. H. Franklin, President
4. Orange County Coast Association: H. F. Kenny, Secretary
5. Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce: J. Snetsinger, Manager
6. Shoreline Planning Association: G. H. Lindsey, Treasurer
7. California Shoreline Protective Association: H. B. Martin, Executive Staff
8. Newport Harbor Chamber of Commerce: M. Stanley, President
9. California Shoreline Protective Association: W. S. Scully, Attorney

Mr. Scully also stated that any offer of lease which would permit offshore structures would be a definite invitation for litigation.