STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Minutes of the meeting of the State Lands Commission Sacramento, California

APPEARANCES

Commissioners Present:

Sid McCausland, Acting Chairman, Deputy Director of Finance, Alternate for Commissioner Roy M. Bell, Director of Finance Carl D'Agostino, Chief Deputy Controller, Alternate for Chairman Kenneth Cory, State Controller

Staff Members in Attendance:

William F. Northrop, Executive Officer
R. S. Golden, Assistant Executive Officer
R. C. Hight, Chief Counsel
James F. Trout, Chief, Division of Land Management
and Conservation
Owight E. Sanders, Chief, Planning and Environmental
Coordination
D. J. Everitts, Chief, Extractive Development--State
Leases
W. M. Thompson, Chief, Extractive Development--Long
Beach Operations
Diane Jones, Secretary

Rick Frank, Deputy Attorney General

Representing the Office of the Legislative Analyst:
Glenn Allen, Program Analyst

MINUTES OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION MEETING OF APRIL 27, 1978

The regular meeting of the State L .ds Commission was called to order by Acting Chairman, Jid McCausland, at 10:07 a.m., in Room 2133, State Capitol, Sacramento, Also present was Carl D'Agostino, Chief Deputy Controller, Alternate for Chairman Kenneth Cory, State Controller.

The minutes of the meeting of March 30, 1978 were approved as presented.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

During Mr. William F. Northrop's report, the Commission indicated its non-objection to the following:

1. RE: BARK BEETLE INFESTATION ON SCHOOL LAND NEAR THE MOUNT HANNAH RESORT AREA, IN THE VICINITY OF LAKEPORT. W 21720

Staff soliciting informal bids from timber operators for the removal of the above infected trees.

2. RE: ILLEGAL DUMP SITE W 21766

Staff granting an emergency permit to the Department of Fish and Game for the election of a fence around the perimeter of an illegal dump site in the bed of the Sacramento River at Collins Eddy in Yolo and Sutter Counties to eliminate vehicular access and additional dumping at the site prior to its cleaning up the site.

ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Mr. R. S. Golden's written report is attached as Exhibit "B".

Attachments: Exhibits "A" and "B".

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

BY

WILLIAM F. NORTHROP APRIL 27, 1978

REFORESTATION

W 21621

THE INITIAL PLANTINGS ON OUR PLANNED 3-1/2-YEAR REFORESTATION PROJECT COMMENCED ON SCHEDULE AND WITH ENTHUSIASM ON APRIL 4, 1978, NEAR TRUCKES.

CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS MEMBERS FROM THE BUTTE CONSERVATION CENTER, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION FORESTERS, PLANTED 5,200 ONE-YEAR OLD JEFFREY PINE SEEDLINGS ON TEST PLOTS RANGING IN SIZE FROM ONE ACRE TO EIGHT ACRES. SELECTED TEST SITES INVOLVY VARIOUS SOILS, EXPOSURE AND VEGETATIVE COVER.

SEEDLINGS WERE PLACED ON TEN-FOOT CENTERS WITH PLANTING COMPLETED ON THE EVENING OF THE 4TH. PLOTS WERE PERMANENTLY MARKED TO FACILITATE FUTURE RESEARCH INVOLVING THESE TEST SITES.

WE BELIEVE THIS INITIAL PROCESS WAS A SUCCESS IN THAT IT GAVE EVERYONE CONCERNED A CHANCE TO IRON OUT SOME PROCEDURAL PROBLEMS. THE SECOND PLANTING, INVOLVING 35,000 SEEDLINGS, IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 1, 1978, ON 87 ACRES SOUTH OF HONEY LAKE IN PLUMAS COUNTY.

SALVAGE DE BEETLE-KILLED TIMBER ON SCHOOL LAND W 21720

RECENTLY, THE STAFF WAS ADVISED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY THAT THERE IS A BARK BEETLE INFESTATION ON SCHOOL LAND

NEAR THE MOUNT HANNAH RESORT AREA ABOUT 15 MILES SOUTHEAST OF LAKEPORT. THE INFESTATION IS A THREAT TO TIMBER ON SURROUNDING PRIVATE LANDS.

THE STAFF HAS DETERMINED THAT ABOUT 8 ACRES OF A 40-ACRE SCHOOL LAND PARCEL ARE INVOLVED. EIGHTY TREES WITH AN ESTIMATED 40 THOUSAND BOARD FEET SHOW SIGNS OF INSECT ATTACK AND SHOULD BE REMOVED.

APPROXIMATELY 50% OF THE MATERIAL IS ESTIMATED TO BE SOUND, WHILE THE REMAINDER IS IN TREES IN ADVANCED STAGES OF DECAY. BECAUSE OF THE POOR QUALITY OF THE TIMBER, THE VALUE IS ESTIMATED TO BE LESS THAN \$500. THE PARCEL IS LANDLOCKED AND WHOEVER PURCHASES THE TIMBER WILL HAVE TO ACQUIRE ACCESS RIGHTS ACROSS ABOUT 1/8TH MILE OF PRIVATE LAND.

THE STAFF PLANS TO SOLICIT INFORMAL BIDS WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS FROM TIMBER OPERATORS IN THE LAKEPORT AREA, AND UPON THE COMMISSION'S SUBSEQUENT APPROVAL, ENTER INTO A TIMBER SALE AGREEMENT FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE INFECTED TREES. THIS PROJECT QUALIFIES AS AN EMERGENCY ACTION UNDER CEQA AND DOES NOT REQUIRE FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REVIEW. THERE ARE NO STREAMS OR OTHER ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA.

ILLEGAL DUMP SITE

W 21766

ON OCTOBER 21, 1976, THE STAFF OF THE COMMISSION WAS ALERTED BY THE SUTTER-YUBA HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE PRESENCE OF AN ILLEGAL DUMP SITE LOCATED IN THE HISTORICAL BED OF THE SACRAMENTO RIVER AT COLLINS EDDY IN VOLO AND SUTTER COUNTIES.

STAFF HAS SINCE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE YOLO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, RESOURCES AGENCY'S SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME IN AN EFFORT TO HAVE THE HEALTH HAZAGD REMOVED FROM THE STATE-OWNED LAND.

THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME, WHO MANAGES THE ADJACENT UPLANDS AS PART OF A WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES HABITAT, HAS EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERN AND IS WILLING TO REMOVE THE HEALTH HAZARD.

THE DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY SEEKING IMMEDIATE AUTHORIZATION FROM THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION TO ERECT A FENCE AROUND THE PERIMETER OF THE DUMP SITE IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE VEHICULAR ACCESS AND ADDITIONAL DUMPING AT THE SITE PRIOR TO THEIR CLEAN-UP PROJECT. WITH YOUR CONSENT, WE WILL ADVISE FISH AND GAME OF APPROVAL FOR THE FENCE.

DURING THE INTERIM, STAFF WILL NEGOTIATE FOR A PERMIT WITH FISH AND GAME TO INCLUDE THE STATE'S INTEREST IN COLLINS EDDY AS PART OF THEIR WILDLIFE AND FISHERY HABITAT.

EXHIBIT "B"

ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

By

R. S. GOLDEN

W 5762

THERE ARE SEVERAL ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANCE TO REPORT REGARDING THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION STAFF INTERACTION WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND SAN FRANCISCO BAY CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

BCDC

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THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECENTLY APPROVED A DREDGING AND MARINA EXPANSION PROJECT PROPOSED BY THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO. INCLUDED WITHIN THE MARINA'S DREDGE AREA ARE BOARD OF TIDELAND COMMISSIONER (BTLC) LOTS. BECAUSE OF THE ATTENDANT UNRESOLVED STATE INTERESTS INVOLVED WITHIN THESE LANDS, THE COMMISSION VOICED NO OBJECTION. HOWEVER, THE SPOILS DEPOSITION AREA (THE JERAS PARCEL) HAS SLOUGH BEDS TRAVERSING THE AREA. THE STATE LANDS COMMISSI "REPRESENTATIVE AT THE ECDC MEETING REQUESTED THAT THE CITY CLEAR UP ANY TITLE CLAIMS WITH OUR STAFF.

IN OTHER BCDC MATTERS, PERMIT APPLICANTS BEFORE BCDC HAVE BEEN OFFERING TO DEDICATE BTLC LOTS IN MITIGATION AND TRADE-OFF FOR THEIR PROJECTS. ALTHOUGH FEE OWNERSHIP OF THESE LANDS HAS NOT BEEN DEFINITELY RESOLVED (CURRENTLY IN LITIGATION), IT IS POSSIBLE THAT FEE TITLE MAY PROPERLY RESIDE WITH THE STATE. IF THE COURT'S DETERMINATION IS FAVORABLE TO THE STATE, ALL PRIOR LAND DEDICATIONS MAY BE AFFECTED.

CALIFORNIA STATE COASTAL COMMISSION

MARINE CANCTUARY PROGRAM

W 40117

STAFF ATTENDED A RECENT PUBLIC HEAFING AT MILL VALLEY REGARDING THE FEDERALLY SPONSORED MARINE SANCTUARY PROGRAM.

PRESENT AT THE HEARING WERE COASTAL COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES IN ADDITION TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAM FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.

SHOULD AN AREA RECEIVE THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE STATE BY THE GOVERNOR AND SUBSEQUENTLY THIS ENDORSEMENT IS CONCURRED IN BY THE PRESIDENT, SUCH AREA WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE FEDERAL PROGRAM. THESE AREAS ONCE DESIGNATED ARE MANAGED BY THE STATE. INITIAL INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE RESOURCES AGENCY MAY BE THE ADMINISTERING ENTITY. WHILE THE COMMISSION HAS DIRECT JURISDICTIONAL AUTHORITY IN EACH OF THE NOMINATED AREAS, THE EXACT EFFECT OF THIS PROGRAM UPON THE COMMISSION HAS NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED.

LONG BEACH PORT MASTER PLAN

W 9601.5 LB ADMIN.

A STAFF REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTED ORAL COMMENTS AT THE RECENT COASTAL COMMISSION MEETING IN LOS ANGELES CONCERNING THE LONG BEACH PORT MASTER PLAN. HIS STATEMENT REEMPHASIZED THE COMMISSION'S ROLE AND CONCERN WITH THE PORT MACTER PLAN. PREVIOUSLY, THE COMMISSION HAD SUBMITTED EXTENSIVE COMMENTS TO THE PORT FOR THEIR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION.

Due to the Commission's concern and plan involvement, there is a meeting scheduled with the Port this afternoon to discuss the issues.

AGUA HEDIONDA LAGOON

W 20725.5

WE ARE PRESENTLY HAVING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND THE PROPERTY OWNERS REGARDING THE PUBLIC TRUST ISSUE IN AGUA HEDIONDA LAGOON.

WE WILL CONTINUE HAVING DISCUSSIONS NEXT MONTH AND SHOULD HAVE A DEFINITIVE REPORT ON THE PUBLIC TRUST STATUS IN THE LAGOON BY THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING.

RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE

STATE LANDS COMMISSION

AT ITS MEETING OF APRIL 27, 1978

During the meeting, the recommendations of the staff relative to Calendar Items Cl, C2, C3, C4, C5, 6, C7, C8, C9, C10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 35 were adopted as resolutions of the Commission by unanimous vote.

Commission action on Calendar Items 11, 13, 20 and 27 is set forth on pages 522, 615, 655 and 698.

Calendar Items 23, 29, and 34 were withdrawn from the agenda prior to the meeting (see pages 674,704 and 715.)

Status of Major Litigation is set forth on page 723.