

MINUTE ITEM

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No. 17 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
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APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF
A LETTER OF PERMISSION TO CROSS STATE LAND

CURRENT SITUATION:

On April 11, 1979 the Commission staff was contacted by Solus Ocean Systems, Inc., as an agent for Sun Oil Company, concerning a project which requires transporting three 13,000-foot lengths of pipe across State-owned tide and submerged land, and lands granted to the City of Carpinteria and the County of Santa Barbara onto submerged lands owned by the Federal Government.

The pipelines will be fabricated on shore on property owned by a private owner. They will then be pulled through a culvert underneath the freeway and into the ocean in 600-foot lengths. The pulling operation will stop long enough to weld similar 600-foot lengths together until a total length of 13,000 feet is reached. The 13,000 foot pipeline will then be towed to sea, beyond the 3 mile limit into Federal waters. The pipeline will then join Platform Hillhouse to Platform Henry. The total operation should take 4 days.

The applicant has approval from the following people and agencies, upland owner, City of Carpinteria, Caltrans, U. S. Coast Guard, Corps of Engineers, California Department of Fish and Game, Parks and Recreation, Regional Water Quality Control Board, County of Ventura, Fire Department.

The Coastal Commission will review the project on July 13, 1979. This project is scheduled to begin in mid August 1979. As no structures will be placed on State land no lease or permit will be required, but the staff recommends that a letter of permission be issued.

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STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

- A. P.R.C.: Div. 6, Part 1 & 2.
- B. Cal. Adm. Code: Title 2, Div. 3.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- 1. This project is exempt from CEQA because no structures will be placed on State land, and it only represents a transitory use of State land.

Authority: P.R.C. 21065, 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15037 and 2 Cal. Adm. Code 2903(d).

- 2. This project will pass over State land identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to P.R.C. 6370.1, and is classified in a use category, Class B, which authorizes Limited Use.

Staff has coordinated this project with those agencies and organizations who nominated the site as containing significant environmental values. They have found this project to be compatible with their nomination.

EXHIBITS: A. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. DETERMINE THAT AN EIR HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS ACTIVITY AS SUCH REPORT IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF P.R.C. 21065, 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15037 AND 2 CAL. ADM. CODE 2903(d).
- 2. DETERMINE THAT THE PROJECT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 6.5 OF TITLE 2, OF THE CAL. ADM. CODE.
- 3. FIND THAT GRANTING OF THE LETTER OF PERMISSION WILL HAVE NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT UPON ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS IDENTIFIED PURSUANT TO SECTION 6370.1 OF THE P.R.C.

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4. AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO SOLUS OCEAN SYSTEMS, INC., AS AN AGENT FOR SUN OIL COMPANY, OF A LETTER OF PERMISSION TO TRANSPORT ACROSS STATE LAND THREE 13,000-FOOT PIPELINES TO BE PLACED IN FEDERAL WATERS, WATERWARD OF THE 3-MILE LIMIT, FROM AUGUST 10, 1979 UNTIL OCTOBER 1, 1979, WITH THE PROVISION THAT THE APPLICANT INDEMNIFY AND SAVE HARMLESS AND AT THE OPTION OF THE STATE DEFEND, THE STATE AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS WHICH MIGHT ARISE FROM THIS PROJECT. THE LANDS SUBJECT OF THIS PERMIT ARE SHOWN ON EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF.

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