

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. 36
was approved as Minute Item
No. 36 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
to 0 at its 10/28/82
meeting.

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AMENDMENT OF GENERAL PERMITS TO
CONDUCT OFFSHORE GEOLOGICAL/GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS,
PRC 6313, PRC 6314, PRC 6315 AND PRC 6316

During consideration of Calendar Item 36, attached, the Commission approved staff's recommendations, subject to receipt of the signed permit by the University of Southern California.

Upon motion duly made and carried, the recommendation in Calendar Item 36 was amended as follows by a vote of 3-0.

THE COMMISSION:

1. FINDS THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT IS NOT REQUIRED BECAUSE THIS AMENDMENT IS NOT A PROJECT WITHIN THE MEANING OF P.R.C. SECTION 21065.
2. APPROVES THE AMENDMENTS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A" FOR THE GENERAL GEOLOGICAL/GEOPHYSICAL PERMITS PRC 6313, PRC 6314, PRC 6315 AND PRC 6316 ISSUED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, SUBJECT TO RECEIPT OF THE PERMIT SIGNED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO EXECUTE THEM.

Attachment: Calendar Item 36.

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As requested by the Commission on August 26, 1982, a meeting was held between staff and Mr. Brad Veek, Associate Director of Facilities, Institute of Marine and Coastal Studies, University of Southern California to discuss possible revisions to their permits. Mr. Veek had expressed to the Commission his concerns regarding the effect of the permit on the academic oceanographic research community and desired clarification and revision of certain provisions of the permits.

Discussions with Mr. Veek indicated that certain of the routine oceanographic research conducted by the University of Southern California and other academic institutions does not interfere with fishing and therefore does not require extensive notification procedures.

Staff has concluded that three amendments to the University of Southern California's general permits will clarify the scope of operations subject to the permit and make the necessary modifications to the notification procedure.

The specific amendments are attached hereto as Exhibit "A". The first amendment adds language defining geological and geophysical surveys. The second clarifies the methods and equipment which can be used. The third amendment modifies the extent of notification required for particular permitted activities.

EXHIBIT: A. Permit Amendments.

CALENDAR ITEM NO. 36 (CONTD)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT IS NOT REQUIRED BECAUSE THIS AMENDMENT IS NOT A PROJECT WITHIN THE MEANING OF P.R.C. SECTION 21065. .
2. APPROVE THE AMENDMENTS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A" FOR THE GENERAL GEOLOGICAL/GEOPHYSICAL PERMITS PRC 6313, PRC 6314, PRC 6315 AND PRC 6316 ISSUED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO EXECUTE THEM.

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EXHIBIT "A"

AMENDMENT OF GENERAL GEOLOGICAL/
GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY PERMITS
PRC 6313, 6314, 6315 AND 6316

Sections 3, 4 and 8 of permits PRC 6313, 6314, 6315 and 6316 effective September 1, 1982 are amended to read:

3. Scope of Activities: Permittee shall comply with the terms of this permit whenever the equipment specified in Section 4 herein is deployed or geophysical/geological data are to be collected within the permit area. Geological surveys are defined as the collection of rock and sediment samples from the ocean floor and its subsurface with mechanical devices deployed from a vessel. Geophysical surveys are defined as the collection of information and data using seismic, gravity, magnetic and electrical methods of measuring and recording physical properties of the ocean floor and its subsurface. These specific survey activities exclude all other normal oceanographic sampling procedures.

4. Equipment/Survey Methods: Permittee shall have the right to collect geophysical and geological data utilizing air guns, sparker, sniffer, water guns, mini-sleeve systems, steam injection, electronic equipment and any non-drilling sampling methods. Any activity or method not expressly permitted above is prohibited.

8. Notification Procedure: Permittee shall follow the notification procedure set forth in Exhibit "B" for all geophysical surveys where equipment is deployed "over-the-side" of the vessel. All other geophysical and geological surveys covered by this permit require the Permittee to notify the State a minimum of ten (10) days prior to commencing survey operations. This notice shall include the information required under Exhibit "B", Section B except that required by Item 6 therein.

Approved by:

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

STATE LANDS COMMISSION

By _____
(Name and Title)

By _____
Chief, Extractive
Development Program

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