MINUTE ITEM
This Calendar Item No. 10
was approved as Minute Item
No. 10 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
to 0 at its 8-20-87
meeting.

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INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT FOR PRESCRIBED BURNING

APPLICANT: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
776 South State Street, #107
Ukiah, California 95482

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:
Approximately 2,461 acres of State school and lieu land in the vicinity of central Mendocino County.

LAND USE: Vegetation management for fuel hazard reduction, wildlife habitat improvement, and increased water yield utilizing prescribed burn.

TERMS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT:

Initial period: One year beginning July 1, 1987.

Public liability: The California Department of Forestry assumes all responsibilities and liabilities for the initiation and completion of this project.

APPLICANT STATUS:
Applicant is the lead agency of cooperative vegetation management program

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

A. P.R.C.: Div. 6, Parts 1 and 2; Div. 13.

B. Cal. Adm. Code: Title 2, Div. 3; Title 14, Div. 6.

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AB 884: N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. The Circle X Ranch has been designated as a prescribed burn area for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. The State Lands Commission has four school land parcels within the Circle X Ranch totalling approximately 2,461 acres. It is estimated that about eight percent (8%) or 200 acres are scheduled for prescribed burning in a mosiac pattern to enhance wildlife habitat, reduce fire hazard, and increase water yield to local streams and reservoirs. This is a cooperative effort because the school land's productivity and environment will be improved and California Department of Forestry's costs on this project will be reduced because they will not have to construct additional fire lines to exclude the school lands from this project.

2. The California Department of Forestry assumes all responsibility and liability in connection with this project. There will be no cost or expenses charged to the State Lands Commission concerning this project.

3. In December 1982, the Executive Officer of the State Lands Commission signed the Memorandum of Understanding for Coordinated Resource Management Planning in California. This document encourages the State Lands Commission to enter into the Vegetation Management Program with the California Department of Forestry.

4. A Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared and adopted for this project by the California Department of Forestry. This Program Environmental Impact Report and an environmental evaluation of each proposed project consisting of an Application, Environmental Checklist, Land Management Plan, Prescription, Smoke Management Plan, and Contract will be used to comply with the CEQA. The Environmental Checklist, Land Management Plan, Prescription and Smoke Management Plan are designed to mitigate the environmental effects identified in the EIR and will also indicate what, if any, additional CEQA documentation will be required. The Upper Lake Ranger Unit has prepared the above-mentioned supplemental documents for the particular area that is subject of this Calendar Item. The approved Environmental Checklist, Land Management Plan, Prescription, and Smoke Management Plan have identified potential significant impacts and have provided mitigation measures and do not indicate any additional CEQA documentation is required. The State Lands Commission staff has reviewed such documentation and believes it complies with the requirements of CEQA and, based upon the information provided in such documentation, believes this activity will not have a significant effect on the environment.

5. On file with the State Lands Commission are copies of the following documents:

   a. Memorandum of Understanding for Coordinated Resource Management Planning in California.

   b. Chaparral Management Program, The Resources Agency, California Department of Forestry Final Environmental Impact Report SCH 80100262.

c. CDF, prescribed burn agreement package.
(1) Project Agreement for Prescribed Burning.

(2) Contract 11-SLC-87 Prescribed Burn Plan, Smoke Dispersal and Land Management Plan

(3) Environmental checklist.

EXHIBITS: A. Land Description.
B. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT AN EIR HAS BEEN PREPARED AND ADOPTED FOR THIS PROJECT BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND THAT THE COMMISSION HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN.

2. FIND THAT NO SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS WERE IDENTIFIED IN THE EIR WHICH INVOLVED THE PART OF THE PROJECT THAT THE COMMISSION IS CONSIDERING FOR APPROVAL.

3. DETERMINE THAT THE PROJECT, AS APPROVED, WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

4. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF THE INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT FOR PROSCRIBED BURNING ON STATE SCHOOL LANDS WITH CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, TO PROVIDE FOR VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ON THE LAND DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED AND BY REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF, FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1987.

EXHIBIT "A"

LAND DESCRIPTION W 23995

Those parcels of California State lieu land in Mendocino County, California, described as follows:

T18N, R11W, MDM.
Section 7; SE 1/4.
Section 8; Lots 7, 8, 9.
Section 15; Lots 1-8.
Section 17; NW 1/4, SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Lots 1-10.
Section 18; N 1/2 of NE 1/4, Lot 1.
Section 20; E 1/2 of NE 1/4, SW 1/4 of SE 1/4.
Section 21; Lots 1-12.

T18N, R12W, MDM
Section 12; E 1/2 of NE 1/4.

T19N, R11W, MDM
Section 31; E 1/2 of SW 1/4, Lots 3, 4.

T19N, R12W, MDM
Section 25; N 1/2 of SW 1/4, SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Lots 2, 5, 6, 7.

END OF DESCRIPTION

PREPARED JULY 16, 1987, BY BIU 1.

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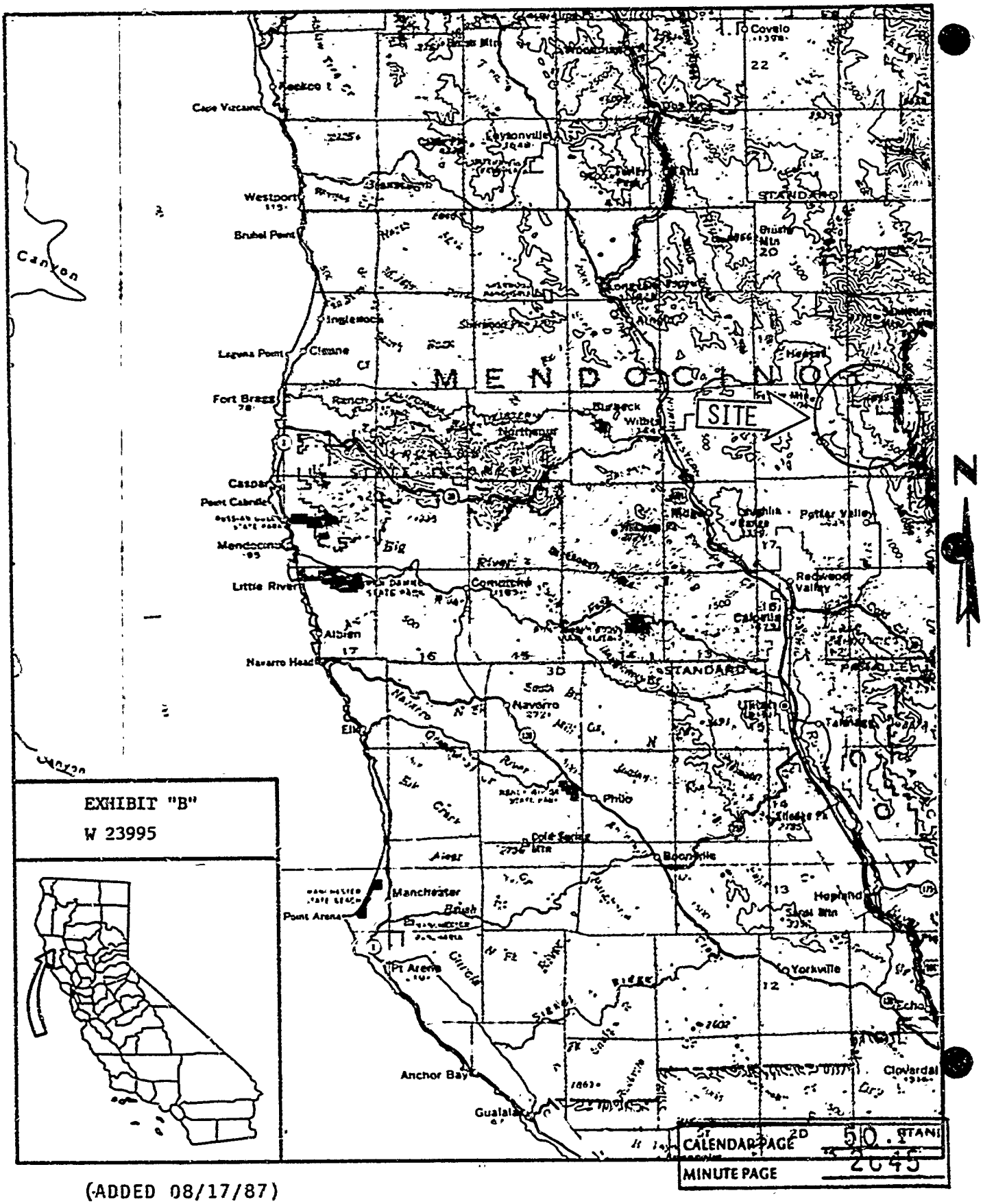

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