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CALIFORNIA STATE LANDS COMMISSION  
MEETING OF AUGUST 11, 2009

RADISSON HOTEL AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT  
6225 WEST CENTURY BOULEVARD  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90045

**APPEARANCES**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

John Garamendi, Lt. Governor, Chair  
John Chiang, Controller (Cindy Aronberg and Marcy Jo Mandel, Alternates for  
Controller, sat in for portion of meeting)  
Tom Sheehy, Chief Deputy Director for Policy, Department of Finance,  
represented Michael C. Genest, Director, Department of Finance

**STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Paul Thayer, Executive Officer  
Curtis Fossum, Chief Counsel

**REPRESENTING THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Alan Hager, Deputy Attorney General

**NOTE:** *A list of individuals making statements before the Commission and the entities they represent, along with the Executive Officer's Report, are included in a complete transcript of the proceedings, which is on file in the Sacramento offices of the Commission and posted on the Commission's website at [www.slc.ca.gov](http://www.slc.ca.gov). Also included on the website is the voting record of the meeting with the staff report for each agenda item linked to the respective consent or regular item number.*

**RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE  
CALIFORNIA STATE LANDS COMMISSION  
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Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi, Chair, called the meeting of the California State Lands Commission to order at 10:03 A.M. at the Radisson Hotel at Los Angeles Airport, Ballroom - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 6225 West Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90045. Also present were Commissioner John Chiang and Commissioner Alternate Tom Sheehy.

The Minutes of the June 1, 2009 meeting were approved as presented by a vote of 3-0

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent item C16 was removed from the agenda and not considered. Consent items C01-C15 and C17-C48 were approved as presented by a vote of 3-0.

**REGULAR CALENDAR**

(The items below appear in the order that they were heard and voted on.)

**ITEM 49:** The item was removed from the agenda and not considered.

**ITEM 51:** An informational hearing was conducted regarding the comparative advantages and disadvantages of developing offshore oil resources from offshore or onshore sites. Presentations by Commission staff, environmental organizations, the oil industry, local government representatives and the public were made. This was an informational item, therefore no vote was taken.

**ITEM 50:** A presentation was made to the Commission regarding the violations of terms in the lease to the Cedar Flat Improvement Association. That lease had expired. The Commission was also informed that the applicant had failed to submit a buoy allotment plan required as part of the application process. The Commission deferred taking action on the item until the next meeting in order to give the applicant time to comply with the terms of the lease and application process.

**ITEM 52:** An informational hearing was held regarding an application by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power for a proposed moat and row dust control measure at Owens Lake. Presentations were made by the Commission staff, representatives of the City of Los Angeles, Inyo County, Metropolitan Water District, Great Basin Area Pollution Control District, California Cattleman's Association, the Audubon California and Inyo County Cattleman's Association. This was an informational item only, therefore no vote was taken.

The Commission meeting public session was recessed into Closed Session at 2:54 P.M. and the Public Session was reconvened at 3:03 P.M. and adjourned at 3:21 P.M.

**PUBLIC ADDRESSING THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR ITEMS  
CALIFORNIA STATE LANDS COMMISSION MEETING**

**AUGUST 11, 2009**

(The items below appear in the order of the printed agenda not in the order that they were heard and voted on.)

**REGULAR ITEM 50 – CEDAR FLAT IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**

Mary Hays, Public Land Manager, Land Management Division

**REGULAR ITEM 51 – ONSHORE/OFFSHORE OIL DEVELOPMENT**

Steve Curran, Petroleum Drilling Engineer, Mineral Resources Management Division

Eric Gillies, Staff Environmental Scientist, Environmental Planning and Management Division

Pete Johnson, Operations Manager, Mineral Resources Management Division

Mark Meier, Assistant Chief Counsel, Legal Division

Jeff Planck, Senior Mineral Resources Engineer, Mineral Resources Management Division

Greg Scott, Chief, Mineral Resources Management Division

- Doug Anthony, Deputy Director, Energy Division, Santa Barbara County
- Richard Charter, Government Relations Consultant, Defenders of Wildlife
- Linda Krop, Chief Counsel, Environmental Defense Center
- Bob Nunn, Sunset Exploration
- Tobe Plough, representing self
- Bob Poole, Senior Coordinator for Coastal Issues, Western States Petroleum Association
- Jerry Rubin, Director, Alliance for Survival
- Steve Uhring, Malibu Coastal Land Conservancy

**REGULAR ITEM 52 – OWENS LAKE**

Judy Brown, Public Land Management Specialist, Land Management Division

- Linda Arcularius, Supervisor, Inyo County
- Dave Freeman, Los Angeles Deputy Mayor
- Garry George, Audubon California

## **REGULAR ITEM 52 – OWENS LAKE CONTINUED**

- Debra Man, Chief Operating Officer and Assistant General Manager, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
- George Milovich, Agricultural Commissioner, Inyo/Mono County
- David Nahai, CEO, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
- Gail Newton, Former Division Chief, Environmental Planning and Management Division, State Lands Commission
- Tom Noland, Inyo County Cattlemen Association
- Justin Oldfield, Director of Industry Affairs, California Cattlemen's Association
- Ted Schade, Air Pollution Control Officer, Great Basin Air Pollution Control District

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

- Theresa Brady, representing self
- Bruce Campbell, representing self
- Carla Frisk, Representing Get Oil Out!
- Gary Gless, President, Citizens Coalition for a Safe Community
- Marcia Hanscom, Managing Director, Coastal Law Enforcement Action Network and Ballona Institute
- Patricia McPherson, President, Grassroots Coalition
- Katie McShirley, Representing Santa Barbara City Council Member Das Williams
- Marcy Winograd, Founder, Progressive Democrats of America's Los Angeles Chapter