

**CALENDAR ITEM
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GENERAL LEASE - OTHER

APPLICANT:

Society for the Conservation of Bighorn Sheep
P.O. Box 94182
Pasadena, California 91109

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

2.5 acres, more or less, of State school land in a portion of Section 16, Township 2 South, Range 18 East, SBM, near the Granite Mountains, Riverside County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Continued use and maintenance of two existing rainwater catchment basin systems.

LEASE TERM:

20 years, beginning February 21, 2014.

CONSIDERATION:

\$79 per year, with the State reserving the right to fix a different rent periodically during the lease term, as provided in the lease.

SPECIFIC LEASE PROVISIONS:

Liability insurance with combined single limit coverage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Applicant has the right to use the upland adjoining the lease premises.
2. On June 6, 1974, the Commission authorized a 15-year General Lease – Public Agency Use with the California Department of Fish and Game (now known as California Department of Fish and Wildlife [CDFW]). That lease expired on April 30, 1989. The Society for the Conservation of Bighorn Sheep (SCBS), a California non-profit organization, is now applying for a

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General Lease – Other for the continued use and maintenance of two existing rainwater catchment basin systems for use by bighorn sheep.

3. The two existing rainwater catchment basin systems each consist of a 2-inch-diameter galvanized pipe, two 3,000-gallon storage steel tanks, and masonry enclosed steel, float-valve drinker.
4. SCBS is a California registered, non-profit organization founded in 1964 and dedicated to the conservation and management of the Desert Bighorn Sheep. This restoration effort was undertaken by SCBS in cooperation with the CDFW and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) under a Memorandum of Understanding and in accordance with the CDFW's Bighorn Management Plan.
5. The staff recommends that the Commission find that this activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 1, Existing Facilities; California Code of Regulations, Title 2, section 2905, subdivision (a)(2).

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15300 and California Code of Regulations, Title 2, section 2905.

6. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370 et seq., but such activity will not affect those significant lands. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is the staff's opinion that the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Land Description
- B. Site and Location Map

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Commission:

CEQA FINDING:

Find that the activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15061 as a categorically exempt project, Class 1, Existing Facilities; California Code of Regulations, Title 2, section 2905, subdivision (a)(2).

SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:

Find that this activity is consistent with the use classification designated by the Commission for the land pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370 et seq.

AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize issuance of a General Lease – Other to the Society for the Conservation of Bighorn Sheep, beginning February 21, 2014, for a term of 20 years, for the continued use and maintenance of two existing rainwater catchment basin systems as described on Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B (for reference purposes only) attached and by this reference made a part hereof; annual rent in the amount of \$79, with the State reserving the right to fix a different rent periodically during the lease term, as provided in the lease; and liability insurance for combined single limit coverage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

EXHIBIT A

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LAND DESCRIPTION

A parcel of State Owned School Lands located in the County of Riverside, State of California, and more particularly described as follow:

All those land lying within the Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, Township 2 South, Range 18, East, SBM. as shown on that Official Government Township Plat approved April 10, 1963.

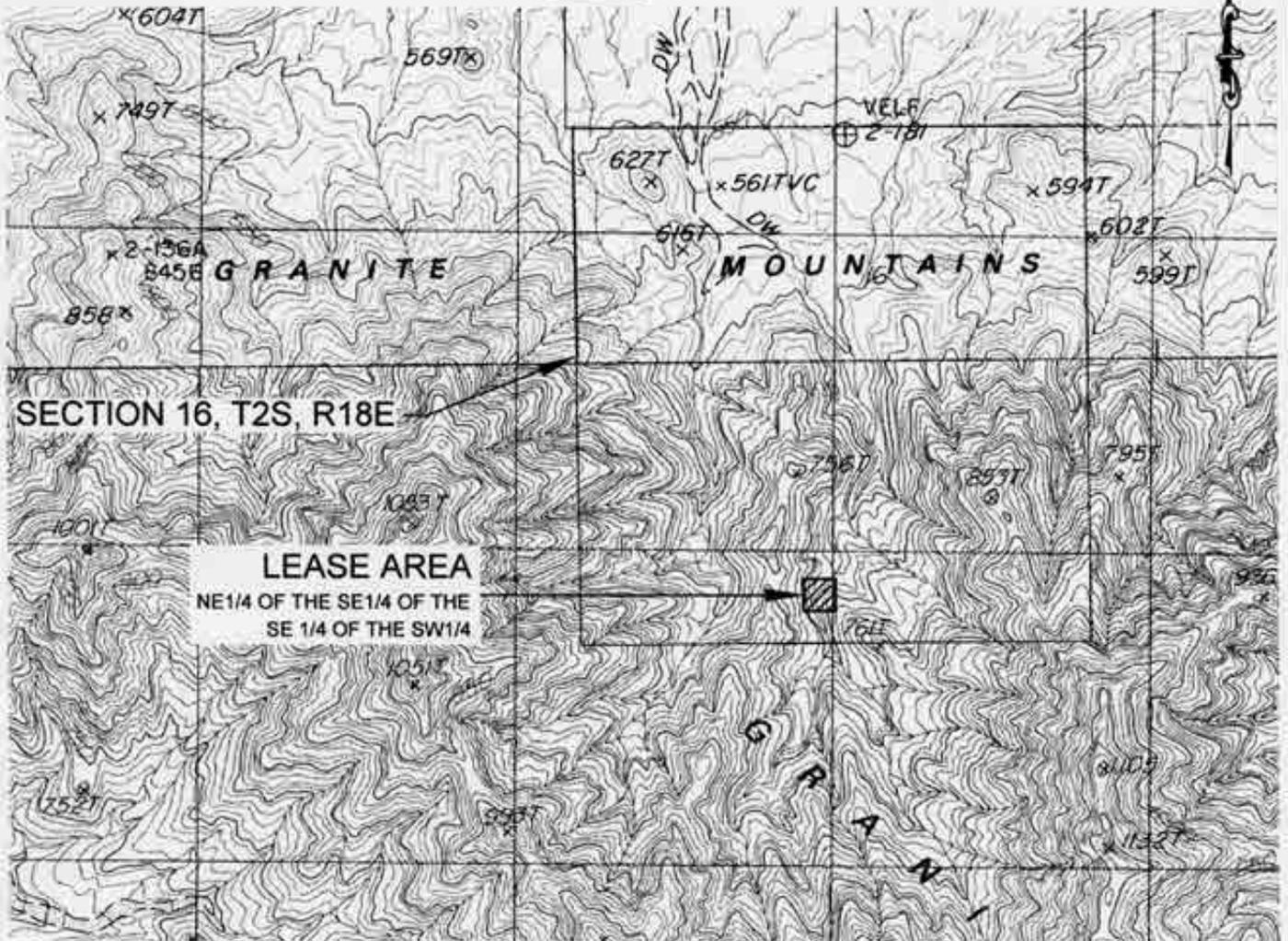
END OF DESCRIPTION

Prepared October 24, 2013 by the Boundary Unit of the California State Lands Commission.



NO SCALE

SITE



NW1/4 OF THE SE1/4 OF SECTION 16, T2S, R18E, SBM.

NO SCALE

LOCATION



MAP SOURCE: USGS QUAD

Exhibit B

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 SOCIETY OF THE
 CONSERVATION OF
 BIGHORN SHEEP
 GENERAL LEASE - OTHER
 RIVERSIDE COUNTY



This Exhibit is solely for purposes of generally defining the lease premises, is based on unverified information provided by the Lessee or other parties and is not intended to be, nor shall it be construed as, a waiver or limitation of any State interest in the subject or any other property.

JAK 10/24/13