

1 MR. CHAMPION: On these two items before us today,  
 2 really the situation is this: So far as Fish and Game is con-  
 3 cerned you have no objection to our making conveyance to these  
 4 two parties, subject to the conditions which you worked out in  
 5 discussions with them; and we might take recommendations on  
 6 both of these items today, without formal approval, and you  
 7 can work out the conditions of conveyance.

8 So far as the other, you have the assurance we are  
 9 very anxious to work toward this use of public lands and we  
 10 will be glad to work out land exchange agreements with the  
 11 Bureau of Land Management.

12 MR. DAVIDSON: Thank you very much.

13 GOV. ANDERSON: It is my understanding that both  
 14 Merriam and the La Morees will go on with the sale subject  
 15 to these conditions.

16 MR. HORTIG: And subject to the final approval or  
 17 authorization of the documentation by the Commission at the  
 18 July meeting.

19 MR. CHAMPION: There will be no formal action today.  
 20 You will go ahead and we will consider them when you have the  
 21 formal arrangements worked out. No formal action is required  
 22 of the Commission today.

23 MR. HORTIG: No, sir; unless the other applicant  
 24 wishes to be heard.

25 MRS. LA MOREE: I am Mrs. La Moree. I wonder if the  
 26 public access -- if we need to define that further today, or

1 if that will be in the conveyance?

2 MR. HORTIG: Yes.

3 MR. CHAMPION: We will work that out in the docu-  
4 mentation.

5 MR. HORTIG: Yes.

6 MR. CHAMPION: Thank you very much. We will, then,  
7 omit items (c) and (d) in our action.

8 MR. CRANSTON: I move approval of the other items,  
9 (a) and (b).

10 GOV. ANDERSON: Second.

11 MR. CHAMPION: It has been moved and seconded.  
12 Any further question? (No response) Stand approved.

13 6 -- Authorize Executive Officer to request the  
14 Attorney General to institute required action to fix boundaries  
15 between the privately owned lands of Boss and Wilson (d.b.a.  
16 B & W Boat Harbor), being a part of Andrus Island and the un-  
17 conveyed State sovereign lands in the bed of the Mokelumne  
18 River, with a view to requiring the operators of B & W Boat  
19 Harbor to enter into a lease for State land that they occupy.

20 MR. CRANSTON: Move approval.

21 GOV. ANDERSON: Second.

22 MR. CHAMPION: Any questions? (No response) Stand  
23 approved.

24 7 - Boundary Agreements: (a) Authorization for  
25 Executive Officer to execute an agreement with Bank of America  
26 Trust & Savings Association as Special Administrator with

1 general powers of the Estate of Sam Arvanitis, Deceased, fix-  
 2 ing the Ordinary Low Water Mark as the Common Boundary along  
 3 a tidal waterway in the vicinity of Surfside, Orange County,  
 4 as described in the Boundary Agreement, W.O. 5171 (Exhibit  
 5 A), as the permanent boundary between State submerged land  
 6 and subject private lands along this tidal waterway.

7 (b) Authorize the Executive Officer to: (1) Approve  
 8 Sheet One of One of map entitled "Contours, Marconi Cove, Pro-  
 9 posed Harbor Site, Marina Developers," dated April 19, 1962;  
 10 (2) record said map after completion of marina construction  
 11 in Marconi Cove; (3) Execute an agreement with the upland  
 12 owners, H. Morgan Noble, David L. Fraser, Norman A. Gamble,  
 13 and Blair McDonald, fixing the common boundary in Marconi  
 14 Cove as described in an agreement (Exhibit A), as the per-  
 15 manent boundary between the State submerged lands and the  
 16 subject private lands along Tomales Bay, Marin County.

17 MR. CRANSTON: I move approval.

18 GOV. ANDERSON: Second.

19 MR. CHAMPION: Any further question? (No response)  
 20 Stand approved.

21 Approval of Maps: Item (a) has been deleted.

22 (b) Authorization for Executive Officer to approve  
 23 and have recorded Sheets 1 and 2 of 2 of maps entitled  
 24 "Survey of the Mean High Tide Line Along the Shore of the  
 25 Gulf of Santa Catalina, Vicinity of Dana Cove, Orange County  
 26 Calif." dated February 1964.

1 (c) Authorization for Executive Officer to approve  
2 and have recorded Sheets 1 through 7 of 7 of maps entitled  
3 "Map of the Grant to the Crescent City Harbor District, Vicin-  
4 ity of Crescent City, Del Norte County, Calif." dated March  
5 1964.

6 (d) Authorization for Executive Officer: (1) To  
7 approve and have recorded Sheets 1 and 2 of 2 of maps en-  
8 titled "Map of the Ordinary High Water Mark Along the Shore  
9 of Santa Monica Bay, Vicinity of El Segundo, Los Angeles  
10 County, California" dated March 1962; and (2) to execute an  
11 agreement with the upland owners fixing the common boundary  
12 along Santa Monica Bay as described in the agreement (Exhibit  
13 A) as the permanent boundary between the State tide and sub-  
14 merged lands and the subject private lands along Santa Monica  
15 Bay, vicinity of El Segundo, Los Angeles County.

16 (e) Authorization for Executive Officer to approve  
17 and have recorded Sheet 1 of 1 of map entitled "Map of the  
18 Grant to the City of Redwood City, Vicinity of Deepwater  
19 Slough, San Mateo County, Calif." dated April 1963.

20 MR. CRANSTON: I move approval.

21 GOV. ANDERSON: Second.

22 MR. CHAMPION: Any further question? (No response)

23 Stand approved.

24 Confirmation of transactions consummated by the  
25 Executive Officer pursuant to authority confirmed by the Com-  
26 mission at its meeting on October 5, 1959.

1 MR. CRANSTON: I move confirmation.

2 GOV. ANDERSON: Second.

3 MR. CHAMPION: Any question? (No response) Stand  
4 approved.

5 Next item on the agenda is "Election of Chairman."

6 GOV. ANDERSON: I would like to make a suggestion  
7 there. This was to have been our election date, but I know  
8 that our Chairman has been working very hard on the Long  
9 Beach contract project and we have hopes of clearing that up  
10 in the next, what -- sixty days perhaps? And I'd like to  
11 extend this election over so he can be the Chairman for the  
12 next ninety days.

13 MR. CRANSTON: I concur in that.

14 MR. CHAMPION: Thank you very much, gentlemen.  
15 Shall I take that as formal approval?

16 MR. CRANSTON: Yes.

17 MR. CHAMPION: Then for ninety days I will continue  
18 as Chairman and then the regular rotation policy will in no  
19 way be disturbed by this action.

20 Another item, with which I am unfamiliar -- Salary  
21 Adjustment of Executive Officer.

22 GOV. ANDERSON: Do you recommend that, Mr.  
23 Director of Finance?

24 MR. CHAMPION: I do. Were I not in the chair, I  
25 would be glad to move it.

26 MR. CRANSTON: I so move.

1 GOV. ANDERSON: I'll second it.

2 MR. CHAMPION: There being no objection from the  
3 Executive Officer, stands approved.

4 We have next, informative only, the status of  
5 legislation. Is there anything special in that area?

6 MR. HORTIG: No, sir. In view of the fact, of  
7 course, that due to the timing and the bill signing period not  
8 having been over by the time this matter had to be completed,  
9 final report on those matters significant to the Commission  
10 will be on the July agenda.

11 MR. CHAMPION: All right. Then the only subject  
12 formally to come before this meeting is confirmation of the  
13 date, time and place of next Commission meeting, will be.....

14 MR. HORTIG: Tuesday, July 28th, in Los Angeles  
15 at ten a.m.

16 MR. CHAMPION: There was a matter before the Com-  
17 mission at the last meeting on the subject of leasing a por-  
18 tion of the submerged lands in Santa Monica Bay by the City  
19 of Los Angeles. The report that was called for is not pre-  
20 pared yet, will be ready by the July meeting, and Mr. Spaulding,  
21 who is Petroleum Administrator for the City would like to  
22 speak to the question.

23 Mr. Spaulding.

24 MR. SPAULDING: Mr. Chairman, members of the Com-  
25 mission, at the last meeting you will recall the issue of  
26 leasing certain portions of the City's lands in Santa Monica

1 Bay was discussed and at that time there was a remark made  
2 by the Governor to the effect that it would be continued to  
3 this date.

4 Just to make the record complete, I would like to  
5 read a couple of letters which have been addressed to various  
6 Commissioners since the date of your last meeting. The first  
7 was addressed to the Honorable Glenn M. Anderson:

8 "We have read with interest several recent news-  
9 paper articles recounting the concern of the  
10 State Lands Commission over the aesthetic effects  
11 of marine oil well drilling and producing installa-  
12 tions on the California seascape. In particular,  
13 we refer to the Los Angeles Times May 29, 1964  
14 report that the Commission deferred action on the  
15 proposal of the City of Los Angeles to seek oil  
16 and gas leases in Santa Monica Bay until aesthetic  
17 considerations could be properly assessed.

18 "For your information we are enclosing a copy of  
19 City of Los Angeles Ordinance No. 126,825, passed  
20 by the City Council and approved by the Mayor in  
21 February of this year. The purpose of this  
22 ordinance is the imposition of planning controls  
23 over the submerged lands within the City of Los  
24 Angeles in order to preserve their natural attri-  
25 butes but in such a way as to permit their develop-  
26 ment for oil and gas. Implementing this purpose  
Ordinance No. 126,825 specifies the procedures  
and regulations to be followed in the conduct of  
oil operations on tide and submerged lands located  
within the City of Los Angeles.

"The adoption of the enclosed ordinance (which  
has been sent to the individual Commissioners)  
culminated a year-long period of deliberation by  
various agencies and officials of the City of Los  
Angeles. Throughout this period our prime concern  
was for the aesthetic impact of oil drilling on  
the marine and coastal environment. But it was  
our belief that the situation along the coastline  
does not differ greatly from that of the highly  
urbanized portions of the City where oil drilling  
has been carried on successfully for many years  
under the rigid restrictions of the Los Angeles  
Municipal Code .... "

1 and I refer particularly here to the area around Beverly Hills  
 2 and Cheviot Hills and the La Cienega district and the vicinity  
 3 of the whole oil field south of that primarily near an area  
 4 of Western and Washington, without urban conflicts in the City  
 5 of Los Angeles. These operations have been conducted since  
 6 1952 without any serious incident in the City.

7 (Continuing with letter):

8 "Basically, then, by extending these same drilling  
 9 and producing controls to the offshore area, we  
 10 believe we have devised a formula whereby a valu-  
 11 able resource may be recovered with little sacrifice  
 12 of the scenic pleasures which are to be found in the  
 13 seaside communities. Furthermore, the unique effort  
 14 spent by the City of Los Angeles in planning for  
 15 the exploration of its submerged lands could well  
 16 serve as a model for other governmental agencies to  
 17 follow in contemplating offshore drilling operations."

18 Now, consistent with the closing remarks made by  
 19 the Lieutenant Governor, I have written a letter to the  
 20 Honorable Hale Champion, dated June 19th, last Friday:

21 "At the regularly scheduled meeting of the State  
 22 Lands Commission May 28, 1964, the proposal of the  
 23 City of Los Angeles to seek oil and gas leases on  
 24 approximately 7,000 acres of its submerged lands  
 25 in Santa Monica Bay was discussed. In response to  
 26 the motion of Lieutenant Governor Anderson, action  
 upon the City's proposal was postponed until a  
 later date. In concluding his remarks, Governor  
 Anderson stated that the matter should be continued  
 until the next meeting of the Commission....

And this is why I am here with you today, even though I  
 realize we are not part of your agenda.

24 (Continuing with letter):

25 "On June 5, 1964, we wrote to Mr. Frank J. Hortig  
 26 to request that our proposal again be placed upon  
 the calendar for the June 24 meeting of the State

1 "Lands Commission. We have recently received a  
2 copy of the calendar summary for the June 24  
3 meeting, and we note that our proposal is not due  
4 for consideration. We should be very grateful if  
5 you would again consider our request that our  
6 project be placed upon your agenda at the earliest  
7 opportunity in order to permit the City of Los  
8 Angeles to proceed with its plans to seek oil and  
9 gas leases on its granted lands in Santa Monica  
10 Bay. As you may have been informed, the City of  
11 Los Angeles wishes to offer these leases as the  
12 opening phase of an effort designed to protect our  
13 granted lands from drainage by upland oil producers."

14 This is the end of the letter.

15 MR. CHAMPION: I think telephone response was made  
16 to that letter to me by Mr. Hortig.

17 MR. SPAULDING: Yes, Mr. Hortig did call Mr. Piper,  
18 who did sign these letters.

19 MR. CHAMPION: I recognize the City's interest in  
20 having this thing move as quickly as possible. As I under-  
21 stand it, and I quite agree with the position Governor  
22 Anderson took -- which is that while so far it is a matter  
23 only for the City of Los Angeles -- the City of Los Angeles  
24 obviously after careful examination arrived at a conclusion --  
25 his stated position went to the whole State policy, not only  
26 this land but our total policy in this area; and it is a  
27 report as to the whole of this, rather than specifically to  
28 the Los Angeles item, and as to where the Los Angeles item  
fits within our total policy. That is the reason for the  
deferment and the delay; and we are sorry for any inconveni-  
ence here, but I discussed with Mr. Hortig the problem of  
possible drainage. As I understand it, there is no new

1 drainage that would result by this kind of thirty-day delay  
 2 and in view of the importance of the whole policy considera-  
 3 tion of the State, we did want to put it over until we got  
 4 the report that Governor Anderson asked for. I feel all the  
 5 members of the Commission felt this should be before us,  
 6 before we do something.

7 MR. SPAULDING: May we get assurance that we will  
 8 have consideration at your next meeting?

9 MR. CHAMPION: I understand from Mr. Hortig you  
 10 will be on the agenda next meeting.

11 MR. SPAULDING: This will be entirely satisfactory  
 12 as far as our interests are concerned.

13 MR. CHAMPION: Is there anything more you would  
 14 like to say?

15 GOV. ANDERSON: No.

16 MR. CHAMPION: That concludes the business of the  
 17 regular meeting and I will declare that adjourned, and we  
 18 will adjourn to the meeting set forth in the notice of the  
 19 public review.

20 ADJOURNED 11:25 A.M.

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I, LOUISE H. LILLICO, reporter for the Office of Administrative Procedure, hereby certify that the foregoing thirty-eight pages contain a full, true and correct transcript of the shorthand notes taken by me in the meeting of the STATE LANDS COMMISSION at Sacramento, California, on June 24, 1964.

DATED: Los Angeles, June 30, 1964.

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