State of California WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD Minutes, Meeting of May 3, 1957

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Pursuant to the call of the Chairman, the Wildlife Conservation Board met in Room 4040 of the State Capitol, Sacramento, California, on May 3, 1957. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Andy Kelly at 9:45 a.m.

Roll Call 1.

PRESENT: Andy Kelly Chairman John M. Peirce Member of the Board Seth Gordon """" Senator Brown Joint Interim Committee Senator Johnson """" Assemblymän Belctti " " Assemblyman Erwin " " " f1 ff Assemblyman Lowrey hednoslik issof AND A A A A A A A

E. E. Horn Coordinator R. J. Nesbit Assistant Coordinator

Joint Interim Committee

at Mab Batchery and Stocking Projects

ABSENT: Senator Beard

OTHERS PRESENT:

Larry Seifert Jos. A. Capelluti Art Wachtmann Clyde A. Cavin Mr. & Mrs. Ed. J. Dutro Paul N. Williams Ford B. Ford Lyle Turner B. M. Teney

George Farnham Dept. of Fish and Game Harry Barnes Madera Chico Recreation & Park District Chairman, Recreation Comm., Madera Supervisor, Madera Co. Madera Irrigation District Tehama State Chamber of Commerce Legislative Auditor Office George D. Difani Calif. Wildlife Federation W. David Kelts Dept. of Finance John P. Faniani Gerber Community Club David H. Crawford Secretary, Gerber Boat Club Gerber Community Club B. M. Teney Pres., Gerber Boat Club Lynn Raymond Chairman, Tehama Co. Board of Supervisors H. K. Grafe Senate Interim Comm. Fish & Game Lester J. Gendron District Attorney, Madera Co. Senator James A. Cobey Twenty-fourth District Assemblyman G.W. Winton Thirty-first Assembly District

Approval of the Minutes 2.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. PEIRCE, SECONDED BY MR. GORDON, THAT READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 11, 1956, BE DISPENSED WITH AND SAID MINUTES BE APPROVED AS PUBLISHED AND DISTRIBUTED.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. <u>Status of Funds</u>. The amount allocated to specific projects up to the close of the meeting on December 11, 1956, aggregated \$12,829,122.32 made up as follows:

a. Fish Hatchery and Stocking Projects
1. Warmwater Projects \$968,058.15 2. Other Fish Projects 161,520.00
c. Flow Maintenance and Stream Improvement Projects
d. Screen and Ladder Projects
e. State Game Farms
f. Other Upland Game Projects
g. Waterfowl Management Projects
Total Allocated to Specific Projects \$12,804,122.32
Special Project Allocation:
Project Evaluation, Property Acquisition and Engrg.
Studies
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Total Allocated
In addition to the specific allocations above, the following reserves have
been established:
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1. Colorado River Recreational Development \$50,000.00
2. Warmwater Fisheries Projects
Total Reserves
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Operating Costs: FY 47/48 through 54/55 Actual \$279,747.00
FY 55/56 Actual 51,403.02
FY 56/57 Est. 70,407.00
Total - Actual and Estimated Operating Costs \$401,557.02
Recapitulation:
Allocations for Projects
Special Project Allocation
Reserves Established 125,000.00
Expenses of Operation
Total Expended or Obligated
Total Fund Appropriated
Total Fund Appropriated
Interest on Surplus Money Inv. Thru 55/56 FY 176,347.18
Miscellaneous Revenue 55/56 FY 220.00
Total Sum Available
Total Expended or Obligated
Unobligated Balance as of December 11, 1956 \$320,887.84
 Archibald Lake Public Fishing Area, Project No. 122 \$96,000.00

The Coordinator, Mr. Horn, reported that the Archibald Lake Public Fishing Area was approved in principle by the Board on September 27, 1956,

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and the staff was authorized to proceed with necessary surveys and negotiations. :

An option was taken, appraisals secured. The option price is within the appraisal values. A filing for surplus water from the Fresno River is before the Water Rights Board, and all sources of available water has and is being explored. The problem of water cannot be resolved before the option to purchase expires on May 17, 1957.

Another overriding option at a higher price has been granted by the owners to private parties in the event the State does not exercise its existing option. The owners have stated they will not renew the State's option.

The question for Board decision is whether there is sufficient assurance that adequate water can be assured, and cost of construction can be justified, to exercise the option. The alternative would be to let the option expire, then seek acquisition by eminent domain at a later date as would be allowed under Senator Cobey's bill, SB 1825. This would probably result in a cost considerably in excess of the option price. The Coordinator expressed the belief that a decision could be formed by the Board after hearing testimony by the engineering consultant and others working on the project.

Senator James A. Cobey was then introduced. He reported that an application has been filed for unappropriated water from Fresno River and there is some question as to whether there is sufficient unappropriated water in the Fresno River to supply the required amount. Therefore, supplementary water in the form of purchase of water from the Madera Irrigation District has been investigated. There are two legal questions involved: 1. Does an irrigation district have the power under existing law to contract with the State of California to supply water for a state public fishing and recreation area located outside of its boundaries on a surplus basis?

2. If the State acquires the land for such an area does an irrigation district, under existing law, have the power to include that land within its boundaries for water services for such purpose?

Opinions were requested from the legislative counsel and the Attorney General's office on these two questions and the answers were in the affirmative.

The position of the Madera Irrigation District was taken up by Mr. Les Gendron, District Attorney of Madera County. He stated that the question of whether the irrigation district would take the area into their district was put to them and they replied by passing a resolution to the effect that they would agree to the inclusion of the area in the confines of their district. However, the district has a contract with the Bureau of Reclamation for CVP water and would require approval from the Bureau for such a move.

It was pointed out by Mr. Gendron that such verbal approval has been received by the Board staff. He felt that the water supply was sufficient because of the three possible sources -- the surplus winter flows of the Fresno River upon which an application has been filed, a contract with the Madera Irrigation District to purchase their surplus waters in the Fresno River at 10ϕ per acre foot, and an additional supply by pumping from the underground. The ground water would be used to freshen the lake during the summer months.

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It was further reported by Mr. Gendron that the County has passed a resolution agreeing to the operation and maintenance of the project after development and expects to spend approximately \$25,000 for access roads into the area. There is a great deal of public support for the project in the community.

Mr. Clyde Cavin of the Madera Irrigation District confirmed Mr. Gendron's testimony as to the stand taken by the irrigation district with regard to the project in general. As an individual and as an irrigation district official, he stated that the project would be a fine asset to the community for recreation.

Assemblyman Erwin discussed the Santa Margarita Lake development in San Luis Obispo County which was recently opened to public fishing through the help of the Wildlife Conservation Board. He expressed the feeling that opening up of these reservoirs relieve pressure from other areas and spreads recreation statewide. His recommendation on the Archibald project was to approve it since he felt the water supply was pretty well guaranteed.

The per acre price of the overriding option was stated as \$100 per acre as compared to the State's option which is for approximately \$83 per acre. In view of this, Mr. Peirce expressed the thought that the land is worth more than we are paying for it if we exercise the option, and he suggested the Board proceed to purchase the property under option. If sufficient water cannot be obtained for the project, which is a remote possibility, then the State could always sell for a greater sum, thereby protecting the State's interest.

Assemblyman Erwin moved that the Wildlife Conservation Board proceed to exercise the option and purchase the property. It was seconded by Assemblyman Belotti on the condition that the County would undertake operation and maintenance of the project after development.

Senator Johnson requested further information as to evaporation losses and whether this was taken into consideration in connection with the water supply.

Harry Barnes, consulting engineer, replied that evaporation figures were obtained from both Friant and Fresno River, and it was determined that evaporation from the proposed reservoir would be 2,000 acre feet per year, and that this figure has been taken into consideration in figuring the water needs for the project.

The Coordinator gave the following figures for the development of the area.

ITEM	Barnes Estimate	Div. of Arch. Estimate
Levees	\$32,301	\$75,865
Outlet drain & remove old outlet	7,800	9,575
Spillway	1,000	7,560 36,700
Pump 10 c.f.s. & 15 c.f.s. West draim (east boundary)	11,524 750	30,100
Access roads	36,250	57,420
Fences - repair & replace	6,300	7,200
Subtotal	\$95,925	d" biaurgreens

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ITEM		Barnes Estimate	Div. of Arch. Estimate
Fire lane	n in Strandthi	\$ 300*	\$ 300
Parking		13,200*	13,200
Sanitary facilities		22,380*	22,380
Ramp		2,725*	2,725
Fishing docks (2)		4,590*	4,590
Drinking water supply	TOTALS	29,485* \$168,605**	29,485 \$267,000

* Not estimated by Barnes

** Total Barnes cost using same Div. of Arch. estimates

It was the Coordinator's feeling that the estimates developed by Mr. Barnes could be adhered to if the county could do the work. The average figure used by the Department of Fish and Game as justifiable for warmwater fish development is \$1,000 per acre as compared to the \$600 or \$700 per surface acre figure for the development of this warmwater project. The Coordinator suggested that \$96,000 be allocated now for acquisition and that funds for development be allocated later, probably after the first of the fiscal year.

The question as to whether or not there would be any possibility of the State's being involved in a seepage or overflow liability suit was brought up, and both Mr. Gendron and Mr. Wachtmann advised that the County would be willing to include a save harmless clause in the final agreement.

A motion by Assemblyman Erwin to allocate \$96,000 to exercise the option was entertained. There was considerable discussion as to whether or not the warmwater fisheries project reserve of \$75,000 should be used for this project.

Mr. George Difani called attention to the fact that even after the survey of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Rivers, there have not been any projects within a radius of 50 miles of Sacramento to qualify for this reserve fund and requested that the sum of \$75,000 be kept intact for projects in this immediate area.

It was the Coordinator's recommendation that inasmuch as there are several warmwater fish projects from all parts of the State being worked up for presentation at the next meeting that would more than use up the \$75,000 reserve for warmwater fish projects, the allocation for the Archibald project be made by using the reserve and \$21,000 from the unobligated balance of the Wildlife Restoration Fund.

> IT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR BROWN, SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN LOWREY THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE ARCHIBALD LAKE PUBLIC FISHING AREA, PROJECT NO. 122, AND AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME TO EXERCISE THAT CERTAIN OPTION SIGNED BY CLARENCE AND LEROY CARLSON DATED JANUARY 18, 1957, AND ALLOCATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME THE SUM OF \$96,000.00, USING \$75,000 OF THE RESERVE FOR WARMATER FISHERIES PROJECTS AND \$21,000 FROM THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORA-TION FUND; FURTHER THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

DEVELOP A SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MADERA FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PROJECT WHEN COM-PLETED.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. GORDON, SECONDED BY MR. PEIRCE, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE ARCHIBALD LAKE PUBLIC FISHING AREA, PROJECT NO. 122, AND AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME TO EXERCISE THAT CERTAIN OPTION SIGNED BY CLARENCE AND LEROY CARLSON DATED JANUARY 18, 1957, AND ALLOCATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME THE SUM OF \$96,000, USING \$75,000 OF THE RESERVE FOR WARMWATER FISHERIES PROJECTS AND \$21,000 FROM THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORA-TION FUND: FURTHER THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DEVELOP A SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MADERA FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PROJECT WHEN COMPLETED.

THE REAL PROPERTY REFERRED TO IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 26 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 26, S $\frac{1}{2}$ Sec. 27, all of Sec. 34 N. of River, all of Sec. 35 N. of River, in T. 10 S., R. 18 E., M.D.B.&M., containing 1,070 acres, more or less.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Inland Angling Access Program Project No. 1013 \$59.000.00

Mr. Ray Nesbit, the Assistant Coordinator, reported on the status of the Finnon Reservoir, a warmwater fish project located in El Dorado County. He stated that it is nearing completion using Youth Authority labor. He also stated that at the next meeting there will be presented to the Board several access sites in the vicinity of Sacramento.

Three access sites on the Sacramento River were presented. Options have been taken on two of the properties and immediate action is required so that the options may be exercised before their expiration.

a. Bend Bridge

\$23.000.00

This site is located along the east side of the Sacramento River approximately seven miles northeast of Red Bluff in Tehama County. The parcel of land contains 4.4 acres with about 580 feet of river frontage. The Department of Fish and Game states the location is especially desirable as a fishing access. Appraisals have been made by two qualified appraisers and an option within the appraised values has been taken. The option expires May 14, 1957.

The County of Tehama has agreed to operate and maintain this area.

The cost estimates made by the Department of Fish and Game Engineering Section are as follows:

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Concrete ramp - slab & footings Sheet piling - 135 lin. ft. @ \$24.00 Road 16' x 450' @ \$.15	\$2,000.00 3,200.00 1,100.00	
Parking area - grade and gravel 40,000 sq. ft. @ \$0.10 Cofferdam - lump sum Fencing - 600 lin. ft. @ \$1.00 Sanitary facilities - 2 ea. @ \$300 Site clean up - 2 acres @ \$200 Subtotal OH&P @ 20%	4,000.00 500.00 600.00 600.00 400.00 \$12,400.00 2,480.00	
Contingencies 10% TOTAL IMPROVEMENTS Land Acquisition Appraisals & surveys	1,240.00 \$16,120.00 6,350.00 506.63	
TOTAL	\$22,976.63	

It was recommended by the Assistant Coordinator that \$23,000 be allocated to the Department of Fish and Game from the unallocated balance of the Wildlife Restoration Fund for the purpose of purchasing and developing this fishing access site, and that the Department of Fish and Game be authorized to acquire the land by negotiated purchase, and exercise an agreement with Tehama County to operate and maintain the area.

TT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR BROWN, SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN LOWREY, THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE BEND BRIDGE ACCESS SITE, PROJECT NO. 1013, IN TEHAMA COUNTY AND ALLCCATE \$23,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FROM THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUND FOR LAND ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION, AND THAT \$506.63 OF THIS SUM BE RESTORED TO PROJECT NO. 2500 TO REPLACE FUNDS USED FOR APPRAISALS AND SURVEYS. FURTHER, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME BE AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE CERTAIN OPTION SIGNED BY DARREL J. MILLS DATED APRIL 15, 1957, AND TO EXECUTE A LEASE WITH TEHAMA COUNTY FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITIES WHEN CONSTRUCTED.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. PEIRCE, SECONDED BY MR. GORDON, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE BEND BRIDGE ACCESS SITE, PROJECT NO. 1013, IN TEHAMA COUNTY AND ALLOCATE \$23,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FROM THE UNALLOCATED BAL-ANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUND FOR LAND ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION, AND THAT \$506.63 OF THIS SUM BE RESTORED TO PROJECT NO. 2500 TO REPLACE FUNDS USED FOR APPRAISALS AND SURVEYS. FURTHER, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME BE AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE CERTAIN OPTION SIGNED BY DARREL J. MILLS DATED APRIL 15, 1957, AND TO EXECUTE A LEASE WITH TEHAMA COUNTY FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FACI-LITIES WHEN CONSTRUCTED.

THE REAL PROPERTY TO BE PURCHASED IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

A parcel of land located on the east bank of the Sacramento River, approximately seven miles northeast of the City of Red Bluff, California, and situated in the fractional northeast quarter ($NE\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter ($SE\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 20, Township 28 North, Range 3 West, MDB&M, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point from which the east abutment and the centerline of the Bend Bridge over the Sacramento River bears north 30°30' east a distance of 20.0 feet; thence S 59° 30' E. a distance of 55 feet; thence S 75° 30' W. a distance of 56.56 feet; thence S 24° 36' west along an ! existing barbed wire fence, a distance of 360.0 feet; thence north 59° 30' west on a line parallel to the centerline of the Bend Bridge a distance of 350 feet more or less to the approximate mean low water line, or such other line as may be the northwesterly boundary line of the Mills property; thence along the approximate mean low water line a distance of 480 feet, more or less, to a point on said line which is 20.0 feet distant downstream from the centerline of the Bend Bridge: thence south 59° 30' east and parallel to the centerline of the Bend Bridge a distance of 405 feet more or less, to the point of beginning, and containing 4.00 acres more or less.

PASSED UNANI MOUSLY.

b. Tehama City

\$21,500.00

This site is located within the city limits of Tehama City on the west side of the Sacramento River in Tehama County. The Gerber Boat Club has expressed great interest in this project. The Department of Fish and Game approves and points out the fine steelhead and salmon fishing adjacent to this site. Mr. Edward J. Dutro, a farmer, whose land is directly south of the site has raised some opposition to its location on the grounds it would cause erosion and added trespass to his lands. The problem of erosion will be considered before the U. S. Corps of Engineers will give approval to place structures in the river. The area will be fenced and posted so that trespass upon adjacent property should not occur.

Appraisals have been made by two qualified appraisers and an option has been taken within the appraised values. The option expires June 4, 1957.

The City of Tehama has agreed to operate and maintain the area.

The cost estimates made by the Department of Fish and Game Engineering Section are as follows:

Concrete Launching ramp	\$4,000.00
Dock - 4 piles at \$100 each	400.00
3 floats at \$400 each	1,200.00
Parking area - 40,000 s.f. at \$.10	4,000.00
Road - 3,000 sq. ft. at \$.20	600.00
Sanitary facilities - 2 each at \$300.00	600.00
Fencing - barb wire, 750 f. at \$1.00 per foot	750.00
Site clearing - 1 acre at \$150.00	150.00
Excavation - launching ramp and cofferdam	1,000.00
Subtotal	\$13,000.00
OH&P at 20%	2,600.00
Contingencies at 10%	1,300.00
TOTAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$16,900.00

Land Acquisition4,000.00Appraisals and Surveys554.32

TOTAL \$21,454.32

Mr. Edward J. Dutro, a farmer who lives on a ranch immediately south of the Tehama City access site was introduced. He requested the Board to give careful consideration in the approval of this project because of the erosion problem that has always existed in that vicinity. It was his feeling that anything put in, such as a ramp, would encourage erosion.

It was disclosed by Mr. Nesbit that any construction in a navigable river requires the approval of the Corps of Engineers and such approval would not be granted where there is any danger of erosion.

Mr. Dutro stated he had confidence in the findings of the Corps of Engineers and would be satisfied with their report.

IT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR BROWN, SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN LOWREY, THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE WILDLIFE COM-SERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE TEHAMA CITY ACCESS SITE, PROJECT NO. 1013, AND ALLOCATE \$21,500 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FROM THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUND FOR LAND ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION AND THAT \$554.32 OF THIS SUM BE RESTORED TO PROJECT NO. 2500 TO REPLACE FUNDS USED FOR APPRAISALS AND SURVEYS. FURTHER, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME BE AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE CERTAIN OPTION SIGNED BY HAZEL E. SULLIVAN DATED DECEMBER 4, 1956, AND TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF TEHAMA FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITIES WHEN COMPLETED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF THE FACILITIES SUBJECT TO CORPS OF ENGINEERS APPROVAL WHERE APPLICABLE.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. PEIRCE, SECONDED BY MR. GORDON, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE TEHAMA CITY ACCESS

SITE, PROJECT NO. 1013, AND ALLOCATE \$21,500 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FROM THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUND FOR LAND ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION AND THAT \$554.32 OF THIS SUM BE RESTORED TO PROJECT NO. 2500 TO REPLACE FUNDS USED FOR APPRAISALS AND SURVEYS. FURTHER, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME BE AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE CER-TAIN OPTION SIGNED BY HAZEL E. SULLIVAN DATED DECEMBER 4, 1956, AND TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF TEHAMA FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITIES WHEN COMPLETED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF THE FACILITIES SUBJECT TO COMPS OF ENGINEERS APPROVAL WHERE APPLICABLE.

THE REAL PROPERTY TO BE PURCHASED IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

All that certain real property, situate, lying and being in the southwest one-quarter of Section 17, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, MDB&M, County of Tehama, State of California, and further described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly extension of the east line of Second Street, from which point the point of intersection of the south line of "I" Street and the southerly extension of the east line of Second Street, as said streets are delineated on the Official Plat of the City of Tehama, recorded in Book "A" of Maps, page 37, Tehama County Records, bears North 7º 15' West 1155 feet; thence, from said point of beginning North 82º 45' East 275 feet; thence North 7º 15' West 365 feet; thence North 82º 45' East 165 feet, more or less, to a fence on the brow of the west bank of the Sacramento River; thence southerly following along said fence on the brow of the west bank of the river 430 feet, more or less, to the point of intersection of said fence and the easterly extension of the fence on the north side of Gyle Road, a County Road; thence South 73º 05' East 540 feet, more or less, along said easterly extension of the fence and the fence on the north side of Gyle Road to the point of intersection with said southerly extension of the east line of Second Street; thence North 7º 15' West along said southerly extension of the east line of Second Street 143 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2.8 acres, more or less.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Lynn Raymond, the Chairman of the Tehama County Board of Supervisors, and several citizens from Tehama County who were in attendance were introduced. They declared themselves as proponents of the two access sites in Tehama County.

c. Mouth of Chico Creek

\$14,500.00

This site is located on Chico Creek at its confluence with the Sacramento River. Chico is six and one-half miles to the east.

The nearest commercial fishing resort is 4 miles north on Pine Creek. The land is owned by the County of Butte and the supervisors have agreed to grant a free long-term lease to the State. The Chico Recreation, Park and Parkway District has agreed to operate and maintain the area which would include about 20 acres. They also plan to add additional facilities not planned under the Wildlife Conservation Board proposal.

There is in use on the property a dirt ramp constructed by Chico sportsmen. Public interest for this project is very great. The Department of Fish and Game approves and notes the increased fishing pressure in this area.

The cost estimates made by the Department of Fish and Game Engineering Section are as follows:

Concrete Launching ramp - 14' x 60'	\$2,000.00	
Boat dock and Gangway	3 500 00	
3 floats at \$400.00; 1 gangway at \$300.00	1,500.00	
Road - Widen, grade and surface existing road	1,500.00	
Parking - Grade and gravel	4,000.00	
40,000 sq. ft. at \$.10		
Sanitary facilities - 2 at \$300	600.00	
	400.00	
Cofferdam - Lump sum		
Timber piling - 6 at \$100	600.00	
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Subtotal	\$10,900.00	
OH&P at 20%	2,200.00	
Contingencies at 10%	1,100.00	
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TOTAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$14,200.00	
Surveys	133.86	

TOTAL

\$14,333.86

It was recommended that \$14,500 be allotted to the Department of Fish and Game from the unallocated balance of the Wildlife Restoration Fund for the development of this fishing access site, and exercise an agreement with the Chico Recreation, Park and Parkway District for operation and maintenance of the area.

IT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR BROWN, SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN LOWREY, THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE MOUTH OF CHICO CREEK ACCESS SITE AND ALLOCATE \$14,500 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FROM THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THIS PROJECT, AND THAT \$133.86 OF THIS SUM BE RESTORED TO PROJECT NO. 2500 TO REPLACE FUNDS USED FOR SURVEYS. FURTHER, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME IS AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BUTTE FOR THE USE OF THE NECESSARY LANDS AND WITH THE CHICO RECREATION PARK AND PARKWAY DISTRICT FOR THE OPERA-TION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITIES WHEN COMPLETED.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. PEIRCE, SECONDED BY MR. GOR DON, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE MOUTH OF CHICO CREEK ACCESS SITE AND ALLOCATE \$14,500 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FROM THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILD-LIFE RESTORATION FUND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THIS PROJECT, AND THAT \$133.86 OF THIS SUM BE RESTORED TO PROJECT NO. 2500 TO REPLACE FUNDS USED FOR SURVEYS. FURTHER, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME IS AUTHORIZED TO ENTER IN TO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BUTTE FOR THE USE OF THE NECESSARY LANDS AND WITH THE CHICO RECREATION, PARK AND PARKWAY DISTRICT FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITIES WHEN COMPLETED.

PASSED UNAN IMOUSLY.

6. Bixby Slough Public Fishing Area, Project No. 83

The City of Los Angeles, by a letter dated March 14, 1957, signed by Ruth Knight, Secretary to the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners, states the City does not now desire to proceed with this project using Wildlife Restoration Funds.

\$100,000 was allocated to the project. \$4,050 was expended for appraisals in accordance with negotiations with the City. A balance of \$95,950 remains and it was recommended by the Coordinator that the project be cancelled, and the sum of \$95,950 be recovered and restored to the unallocated balance of the Wildlife Restoration Fund.

> IT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR JOHNSON, SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN LOWREY, THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD CANCEL THE BIXBY SLOUGH PUBLIC FISHING AREA, PROJECT NO. 83, AND THAT THE SUM OF \$95,950 BE RECOVERED AND RESTORED TO THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUND.

AYES: SENATORS JOHNSON, BROWN; ASSEMBLYMEN LOWREY, BELOTTI

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Assemblyman Erwin abstained.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. GORDON, SECONDED BY MR. PEIRCE, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD CANCEL THE BIXBY SLOUGH PUBLIC FISHING AREA, PROJECT NO. 83, AND THAT THE SUM OF \$95,950 BE RECOVERED AND RESTORED TO THE UNALLOCATED BALANCE OF THE WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUND.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Richmond - San Rafael Ferry

The Coordinator requested the Board's advice as to the procedure to be followed in the Richmond - San Rafael Ferry access project. He pointed out the many obstacles encountered in his investigation of the project which poses a lot of questions as far as State operation would be concerned.

Assemblyman Lowrey suggested that the Board staff check into the Assembly and Senate bills which would grant State property to the City in the vicinity of the Richmond - San Rafael Ferry.

It was ordered by the Chairman, Mr. Kelly, that the Board staff continue its study of the problems involved in the Richmond - San Rafael Ferry access project in an effort to resolve them and to further check into the two legislative bills which might be pertinent to this project.

The next meeting of the Wildlife Conservation Board was set for 9:00 a.m., May 17, 1957, at the State Capitol, Sacramento.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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 Status of allocations and unobligated balance as of May 3, 1957, Board Action.

The amount allocated to specific projects up to the close of the meeting on May 3, 1957, aggregated \$12,888,172.32.

 a. Fish Hatchery and Stocking Projects b. Warmwater and Other Fish Projects c. Warmwater Projects c. Other Fish Projects c. State Game Farms c. State Game Projects d. State Game Projects
g. Waterfowl Management Projects
Special Project Allocation: Project Evaluation, Property Acquisition and Engrg. Studies \$25,000.00 Total Allocated \$12,888,172.32 In addition to the specific allocations above, the following reserves have
been established: 1. Colorado River Recreational Development \$50,000.00 Operating Costs: FY 47/48 through 54/55 Actual \$279,747.00 FY 55/56 Actual \$1,403.02
FY 56/57Est.70,407.00Total - Actual and Estimated Operating Costs\$401,557.02
Recapitulation:Allocations for Projects\$12,863,172.32Special Project Allocation25,000.00Reserves Established50,000.00Expenses of Operation401,557.02Total Expended or Obligated\$13,339,729.34
Total Fund Appropriated \$12,750,000.00 Appropriation available through 56/57 FY 750,000.00 Interest on Surplus Money Inv. Thru 55/56 FY 176,347.18 Miscellane ous Revenue 55/56 FY 220.00 Total Sum Available \$13,676,567.18 Total Expended or Obligated 13,339,729.34 Unobligated Balance as of May 3, 1957 \$336,837.84