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Pursuant to the call of the Chairman, Mr. Joseph Russ, the Wildlife Conservation Board met in Room 6031 of the State Capitol Building, Sacramento, California, on June 28, 1972. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 2:15 p.m.

1. Roll Call

PRESENT:

Joseph Russ, III	Chairman
G. Ray Arnett	Member
Senator Robert J. Lagomarsino	Joint Interim Committee
Senator Fred W. Marler	" " "
Assemblyman Frank P. Belotti	" " "
Assemblyman Larry Townsend	" " "
Raymond J. Nesbit	Executive Officer
Alvin G. Rutsch	Assistant Executive Officer
Alma Koyasako	Secretary
Bella Applebaum	Accountant

ABSENT:

James S. Dwight	Member, vice Mr. Orr, Director of Finance
Senator Lawrence E. Walsh	Joint Interim Committee
Assemblywoman Pauline L. Davis	" " "

OTHERS PRESENT:

Waldo Giacomini	Point Reyes
Vaughn W. Miller	Dept. of General Services
R. F. Cooper	" " "
William Hoover	State Assembly
Francis C. Lindsay	Calif. Assoc. Resources Con. Dist.
Joe Sheehan	Dept. of Fish and Game
Bill Press	" " "
Hal Nixon	State Forestry
Gloria Eagan	Pt. Reyes Light (Marin Co.)
Dave Zeiner	Dept. of Fish and Game
Trev Wright	" " "
John M. Duffy	" " "
Chet Hart	" " "
John Sherman	City of Pacifica
Dwight French	" " "
Joe Selenske	Sacramento

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2. Approval of Minutes

IT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR LAGOMARSINO, SECONDED BY SENATOR MARLER, AS A JOINT MOTION, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 23, 1972, MEETING.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Pacifica Fishing Pier, San Mateo County

\$60,000.00

Mr. Ray Nesbit, the Executive Officer, reported that the principal reason for this meeting was to consider this project which requires additional funding. He related that at the March 23, 1971, meeting, the Wildlife Conservation Board approved the Pacifica Pier as a matching fund project with the City of Pacifica and allocated \$500,000 for the state's share of the construction costs.

Bids for the project were opened by the City on May 10, 1972. Three bids were received and the lowest acceptable bidder is to be awarded the contract. Based on this bid, it is expected that to proceed with the project on a matching fund basis with the City of Pacifica as intended, an additional \$60,000 in WCB funds is required. This includes an amount for contingencies which may arise during construction.

It was Mr. Nesbit's recommendation that the WCB allocate \$60,000 for the State's share of the additional funds necessary to meet the lowest acceptable bid for construction of the Pacifica Fishing Pier.

IT WAS MOVED BY ASSEMBLYMAN TOWNSEND, SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN BELOTTI, THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD ALLOCATE \$60,000 FOR THE STATE'S SHARE OF THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS NECESSARY TO MEET THE LOWEST ACCEPTABLE BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE PACIFICA FISHING PIER.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD ALLOCATE \$60,000 FOR THE STATE'S SHARE OF THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS NECESSARY TO MEET THE LOWEST ACCEPTABLE BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE PACIFICA FISHING PIER.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Chairman acknowledged the presence of representatives from the City of Pacifica, and Mr. Nesbit introduced Director of Public Works Dwight French and City Attorney John Sherman.

4. Upper Tomales Bay, Marin County

At the request of Assemblyman Bagley who was in attendance, the Executive Officer reported on the status of the acquisition of property at Upper Tomales Bay.

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Mr. Nesbit related that the Bagley Conservation Act of 1971 provided a total of \$40,000,000 for "beach, park, and land acquisition programs, including wildlife areas." Item 304.1 of the Budget Act is as follows:

"304.1 - For acquisition of coastal wildlife areas and adjacent lands at the southern end of Tomales Bay in Marin County, Wildlife Conservation Board, payable from any money set apart for acquisition of coastal wildlife areas in legislation enacted in the 1971 Regular Session specifically providing for such capital outlay funds from the implementation of a system of withholding of income tax---- \$550,000"

Because of the time involved in appraising and negotiating for the property the availability of the funds has been extended until June 30, 1974.

The upper Tomales Bay area has long been an area of interest to sportsmen and other conservationists. The salmon and steelhead fishing in Papermill (Lagunitas) Creek has long been popular with fishermen. In 1968 game warden Al Giddings wrote to the WCB regarding Papermill Creek and said, "It is the most important fishing area in Marin County. This year to date, at least 30 anglers fish there daily and perhaps 200 anglers fish there on weekends." Use of this area has increased considerably since that was written in 1968.

In April, 1968, the Department of Fish and Game regional manager at San Francisco said in his report about White House Pool -- a portion of Papermill Creek, "This is one of the most important steelhead fishing waters in Region 3 and receives quite heavy fishing use."

Many requests have come to the Department of Fish and Game and the WCB for the preservation of these wildlife lands and for fishing access at Tomales Bay and Papermill Creek. The wildlife lands are important waterfowl and shorebird habitat and would adjoin the State Lands Commission property in the bay to the north. Mr. Nesbit stated the staff has been interested in acquiring property in this area since 1966-67.

Lands at the upper Tomales Bay which are being considered are as follows:

Parcel 1814 - High wildlife value lands at the extreme upper end of the bay. The fresh water of Papermill Creek flows into the salt water of Tomales Bay in this area. This would become a state ecological area. ----- 482.3 Acres

Parcel 1815 - Papermill Creek. This parcel is located at the northeasterly corner of the intersection of Sir Francis Drake Highway and Bear Valley Road - and only a few thousand feet from the entrance to the new Pt. Reyes National Park. This parcel has 2,500 feet of road frontage and of greater importance nearly that amount of frontage on Papermill Creek. The principal use is for fishing access.----- 13.2 Acres

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Parcel 1816 - A long narrow strip between Highway #1 and Tomales Bay. This parcel has 6,200 feet of frontage along Highway #1 and 5,800 feet frontage on Tomales Bay. The principal use would be fishing access. ----- 21.2 Acres

A map showing the location of these parcels was provided each Board member at the meeting.

The County of Marin is interested in operating and maintaining parcels 1815 and 1816 if acquired by the WCB. The wildlife parcel would be under the Department of Fish and Game supervision as an ecological area.

The Property Acquisition Division has been hired to do the appraisal and to negotiate with the land owner following appraisal of the property. The appraisal has been made and reviewed by the Property Acquisition Review Section. The owner, however, is not willing to sell at the appraised price, and Mr. Nesbit indicated that the appraised value and the asking price are quite far apart. He stated it was his understanding that the fish and wildlife values of this particular area were not considered as input in determining values. Including such values is not an unusual practice in lands such as duck clubs or fishing streams.

In answer to Assemblyman Townsend's question as to whether the Board is bound by the appraisal made by the Department of General Services, Mr. Nesbit responded that he was not able to get a legal opinion in this regard but thought it in order. He believed that a second appraisal might be desirable.

Assemblyman Townsend suggested that the Board offer the owner \$300,000. Senator Marler questioned this amount since he did not feel the Board is qualified to judge the worth of the land other than by appraisal.

Assemblyman Bagley stated he would be in favor of moving quickly on the offer as it is a vital area with its marshlands for habitat purposes and this is the only salmon and steelhead fishing area in the region. He believed the appraisal came in "low", and since the private appraisal secured by the owner came in at \$550,000, it indicated to him that somewhere in between is the ultimate purchase price. He was hopeful that a decision could be made today, taking into consideration the fish and wildlife values which he believed were legitimate concerns and a basis for valuation.

Assemblyman Belotti expressed concern that there is a possibility this property could be developed for private purposes.

Mr. Vaughn Miller, Chief Land Agent, Department of General Services, Property Acquisition Division, was introduced, along with Mr. Robert Cooper who reviewed the appraisal. Mr. Miller declared that it is most difficult to evaluate land if it has a very special value, in which category he placed this property. According to Mr. Miller, the problem which his appraisers are faced with concerns their restriction by law to buy

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at fair market value without regard to special values which might be attached to a particular parcel. The determination to be made is the price a typical buyer is willing to pay to a typical seller. He stated it is a difficult thing to explain this concept, and he likened this appraisal to ones done for the Department of Parks and Recreation. In answer to Assemblyman Belotti's question, Mr. Cooper stated that the appraisal did not consider wildlife values.

Assemblyman Townsend asked Mr. Miller where the State would go to buy this kind of property. Mr. Miller responded that if it were any other agency they would condemn the property. Assemblyman Townsend clarified that there is no other property with the same attributes as this parcel -- that we are talking about a limited commodity and we want to acquire it.

Mr. Nesbit believed the Property Acquisition Division had done a creditable job on a standard type of appraisal, but felt there are other values to be considered here and that the WCB staff can supply information on wildlife values to be considered. Mr. Miller explained that the difficulty in appraising these tidal lands were compounded by the Marks vs. Whitney decision, which involved tidelands such as this.

It was Mr. Nesbit's opinion that sale comparisons are a matter of judgment and that staff views comparable sales from a different standpoint because of our past experience in acquiring and developing recreational sites. He asked if it would be agreeable to all concerned to have an independent appraiser evaluate these properties, permitting the staff to provide him with a complete report on the fisheries and wildlife values, and have him come up with comparable sales and evaluation. Mr. Miller suggested that the appraiser be provided all the basic data which his office has and other pertinent information, but that the appraiser be permitted to use his judgment on values. He reiterated that the Property Acquisition Act does not allow for his office to look at properties as a unique area. Mr. Arnett emphasized the desire of the Department to secure this property because 70% of the marsh areas in the State have been filled.

Assemblyman Bagley theorized that the present discussion on land values is taking place because the Wildlife Conservation Board was perhaps constituted by the legislature to consider such special wildlife values in connection with acquisition projects, and is not restricted to the usual property acquisition law requirements. If the Board is subject to the property acquisition law, he suggested an outside appraiser be secured. Discussion was had as to what purchases were considered in determining comparable sales. Mr. Miller advised that the Marks vs. Whitney decision has confused not only the appraisers and attorneys, but has affected the real estate market as well.

Senator Marler observed that the problem here is that constitutional provisions for just compensation and court tests on fair market value for highest, best use of property, never contemplated this kind of use, where the buyer buys for a special use or for the unique values of property. He asserted that we must determine two things: (1) whether

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the Wildlife Conservation Board is bound by property acquisition laws, and (2) if this Board was constituted to acquire special properties, what are our legal bounds? Mr. Miller agreed that we should define the legal framework within which the Board can operate. Both Senator Marler and Mr. Arnett felt that another appraisal by an independent appraiser was in order.

It was the consensus that the Board should not wait until another public meeting to act on the acquisition of this property but that after the staff has secured information as outlined above, that the staff contact Board members, individually or in groups, providing whatever information is available and securing Board counsel by this contact.

IT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR MARLER, SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN TOWNSEND, THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD AUTHORIZE STAFF TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE BOARD IS REQUIRED TO ACQUIRE ALL PROPERTY UNDER THE PROPERTY ACQUISITION LAW AND IF WILDLIFE VALUES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING VALUE OF LANDS ACQUIRED FOR SUCH PURPOSES. THE BOARD IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED TO SECURE ANOTHER APPRAISAL, AND TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS NECESSARY TO COME UP WITH A SUITABLE OFFER FOR NEGOTIATED PURCHASE OF THE UPPER TOMALES BAY PROPERTIES.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD AUTHORIZE STAFF TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE BOARD IS REQUIRED TO ACQUIRE ALL PROPERTY UNDER THE PROPERTY ACQUISITION LAW AND IF WILDLIFE VALUES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING VALUE OF LANDS ACQUIRED FOR SUCH PURPOSES. THE BOARD IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED TO SECURE ANOTHER APPRAISAL, AND TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS NECESSARY TO COME UP WITH A SUITABLE OFFER FOR NEGOTIATED PURCHASE OF THE UPPER TOMALES BAY PROPERTIES.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Buena Vista Lagoon, San Diego County

Mr. Nesbit reported that in 1969 the WCB purchased 60 acres in the Buena Vista lagoon which is located in the cities of Oceanside and Carlsbad in San Diego County. The purpose is to preserve the area for its unique wildlife and aquatic values. The area has now been classified as an ecological reserve.

The Nature Conservancy has agreed to deed to the WCB their holdings in the lagoon. The combined holdings would include most of the water area of the lagoon and the principal wildlife habitat area.

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There is, however, an area of especially desirable habitat along the north side of the lagoon and east of Highway 5. This is privately-owned and may be available for purchase. The staff proposes the WCB use a part of its federal Land and Water Conservation Fund allocation to purchase these private parcels and use the value of the gift land from Nature Conservancy as the state's 50% matching fund contribution.

Currently an appraisal is being made of the Nature Conservancy lands and 33 acres privately owned. If the private land can be purchased at the appraised fair market value and the appraised value of the Nature Conservancy lands can be used as the WCB matching fund contribution, it is proposed this purchase be made.

Mr. Nesbit advised that under the procedure of using values of gift-deeded lands as matching contribution for Land and Water Conservation Funds, commonly referred to as "zero appropriation", no fund allocation will be necessary, but authorization from the Board to proceed under this proposal is required.

Mr. Arnett stated that Assemblyman John Stull had contacted him and had indicated support for this proposal.

IT WAS MOVED BY ASSEMBLYMAN TOWNSEND, SECONDED BY SENATOR LAGO-MARSINO, THAT THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PROCEED WITH ACQUISITION OF AVAILABLE PROPERTIES AT BUENA VISTA LAGOON IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY AND WITH DEVELOPMENT OF THE BUENA VISTA LAGOON WILDLIFE AREA, UTILIZING THE VALUE OF THE GIFT-DEEDED NATURE CONSERVANCY LANDS AS MATCHING FUNDS UNDER THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM. THE STAFF IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED TO UTILIZE AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE BUENA VISTA LAGOON ACCOUNT TO SECURE APPRAISALS AND COVER RELATED ACQUISITION COSTS OF LANDS PROPOSED FOR PURCHASE.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PROCEED WITH ACQUISITION OF AVAILABLE PROPERTIES AT BUENA VISTA LAGOON IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY AND WITH DEVELOPMENT OF THE BUENA VISTA LAGOON WILDLIFE AREA, UTILIZING THE VALUE OF THE GIFT-DEEDED NATURE CONSERVANCY LANDS AS MATCHING FUNDS UNDER THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM. THE STAFF IS FURTHER AUTHORIZED TO UTILIZE AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE BUENA VISTA LAGOON ACCOUNT TO SECURE APPRAISALS AND COVER RELATED ACQUISITION COSTS OF LANDS PROPOSED FOR PURCHASE.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Santa Monica Bay Fishing Reef, Los Angeles County

(Assemblyman Townsend left the meeting at this time.)

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Mr. Nesbit reported that the Wildlife Conservation Board has built 19 fishing reefs at a cost of \$251,800. The Department of Fish and Game and the WCB staff have studied a proposal which would construct one of the largest man-made fishing reefs in the world. The proposal is to obtain without cost to the state approximately 450,000 tons of broken concrete segments to be delivered and placed in Santa Monica Bay.

The reef to be constructed would extend one of the already existing fishing reefs in Santa Monica Bay. It would be approximately 2 miles long and one-half mile wide and would reach down coast to within $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles of Marina Del Rey in depths of 60 to 84 feet. The height of the reef material above the ocean floor would not exceed 15'. The reef location is outside the sailboat and motorboat race courses in Santa Monica Bay.

The proposal has been made by a construction firm which has vast amounts of broken concrete in the vicinity of the Los Angeles airport. The contractor will agree to deliver the material to the site and will place the materials as directed at his cost. A contract would be negotiated between the contractors and the WCB with quality surveillance by the Department of Fish and Game. No cost to the WCB is anticipated other than for buoy markers.

The construction firm would be responsible for the shoreside loading site, any permits required, and the compliance with any local, state, or federal requirements.

The City of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation has been included in the development of the plans for this large project. They generally endorse the project, but have several problems to overcome such as the location and operation of the barge tie-up and loading site. Los Angeles Parks and Recreation Department would utilize the loading area following project completion for a parking area and possibly other public uses. The period for the project completion is estimated at 4 years. It can be noted that the cost of comparable reef material, i.e., rock, would be approximately 4 million dollars.

The Department of Fish and Game points out that the bottom of Santa Monica Bay is an expanse of sand devoid of marine plants or rock outcropping. A reef of this magnitude would support large concentrations of fish, according to marine biologists.

This proposal is enthusiastically endorsed by the sportsmen's clubs which have heard of it. Because of their interest, the O.F.P.A. has had representatives attend meetings regarding the reef and are enthusiastic supporters.

Mr. Nesbit believed that it would cost \$4 million to erect a reef of this magnitude at present construction costs. He stated that the project would be of benefit to the fishing public, but that there is a possibility of opposition to the reef construction by people whose homes would be passed by trucks delivering the concrete to the loading site over the four

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year period of construction. Developing suitable method of transporting material so as to overcome these objections would, he felt, become the responsibility of the contractors who would be delivering the material.

Mr. Chester Hart, Chief of Operations, Department of Fish and Game, introduced Mr. John Duffy, a diver-biologist for the Department who would be able to provide technical information relative to the reef construction.

It was the consensus of the Board that it endorse this proposal at this time so that the Santa Monica Fishing Reef proposal may proceed.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. ARNETT, SECONDED BY SENATOR MARLER, AS A JOINT MOTION, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD CONSIDERS THE SANTA MONICA FISHING REEF CONSTRUCTION DESIRABLE AND GOES ON RECORD AS ENDORSING THIS PROPOSAL.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Vallejo Fishing Pier, Solano County

Mr. Nesbit related that this structure is an abandoned highway bridge over the Napa River which the WCB purchased from Highways to convert into a fishing pier. The Greater Vallejo Recreation and Park District blocked off this partial bridge, but people did use it, and there was no way of controlling the trespass to fish from it. A child fell through the bridge and drowned about 6 or 8 months ago. It was learned only recently that the child's parents brought a claim against the State, but the Board of Control denied this on May 2. Recently, an attorney representing the parents of the deceased child advised staff that they were going to file a suit against the State. Mr. Nesbit indicated that he was merely notifying the Board members of this pending suit.

Senator Marler asked if the bridge was marked "Closed - No Fishing".

Mr. Alvin Rutsch, Assistant Executive Officer, advised that there were signs and barriers were erected to put the public on notice that the pier was unsafe.

8. Environmental Protection Program

Mr. Nesbit reported that the Department of Fish and Game is getting some money from the special license plate fund to preserve endangered species, acquire wildlife habitat, etc. The Department has asked for assistance from the Board staff to proceed with the program. Mr. Arnett added that there were 16 projects approved in the budget, and the Department is responsible for negotiating for these lands. The Department will assign a person to carry on the program and is requesting the expertise of the WCB staff for the negotiated purchases, and this item was brought before the Board for their information.

9. American River Fishing Access - Location of Region 2 Office

Mr. Nesbit reported that three years ago the WCB bought some property along the American River to provide fishing access thereto. The Department had long-range plans to locate a regional office and the access strip purchased was sufficient to allow for a regional office to be located there. The Department has now notified the staff that they are interested in relocating the regional office, since they will not be able to renegotiate a lease with the State College on whose property the office is presently located. Mr. Arnett indicated the department's main concern was that the laboratory to be constructed in connection with the regional office be on state-owned property. Mr. Nesbit assured the Chairman and the other members that sufficient acreage was purchased to allow for this regional office construction.

IT WAS MOVED BY SENATOR LAGOMARSINO, SECONDED BY SENATOR MARLER, AS A JOINT MOTION, THAT THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD GO ON RECORD APPROVING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A REGIONAL DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME HEADQUARTERS OFFICE ON PROPERTY PURCHASED BY THE BOARD FOR THE AMERICAN RIVER FISHING ACCESS.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. Agenda Format

The Chairman asked for discussion at this time of a question raised earlier by Assemblyman Townsend relative to shortening the WCB agenda format.

Mr. Nesbit stated that similar suggestions had been made by several Committee and Board members and asked if the Board preferred a shorter written agenda or merely a shorter oral presentation. The present practice of giving a fairly detailed description of the project in the agenda, and reading this with some summarization before the Board discussion was, he felt, generally helpful to the Board.

Mr. Arnett informed the Board that full information is provided to the Fish and Game Commission prior to their meeting, but is not included in the agenda.

Senator Lagomarsino was of the opinion that a complete analysis in the agenda is important for public information, but thought that a summary for the presentation at the meeting would probably be sufficient. Mr. Arnett concurred and felt that this is what Assemblyman Townsend had in mind.

11. Shelter Cove, Humboldt County

In response to Assemblyman Belotti's request for a status report, Mr. Rutsch gave a brief history of this proposed project which was approved

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by the Board 12 years ago. It was at that time favorably considered by staff and Board, but it was not possible to proceed because of difficulty the County encountered in trying to acquire land at Shelter Cove. The project was withdrawn from consideration without prejudice. The County has now acquired land and has developed plans for access down to the beach which include an access road, parking, and restroom, but the problem has been protection of the people down on the beach. The cost of a breakwater off-shore would be extraordinarily high.

The county engineer and Board of Supervisors have proposed a breakwater which is quite a bit less costly than rock construction. Test units of precast concrete cribbing were put in and have withstood the wave forces of last winter. However, the county engineer plans to have a reputable ocean soils engineering firm study the suitability of this structure in the ocean before recommending this concept. This firm would also provide the county a cost estimate for the construction if it is feasible from an engineering standpoint. It was Mr. Rutsch's suggestion that the Board await the report of this engineering firm before proceeding with this proposal.

Fields Landing, Humboldt County

Another proposal in Humboldt County on which Assemblyman Belotti requested a report was the Fields Landing Access Project. Mr. Rutsch advised that this access project was located at the end of a county road and no additional land was acquired. It is getting increased use and there is need for additional land for parking. On his visit last week to the county, Mr. Rutsch was asked about WCB participation in a project to develop a parking area. The county is in a position to acquire needed property and is preparing plans for parking, restrooms and a floating dock. Staff will recommend these improvements for the Board's consideration when the county has completed their plans.

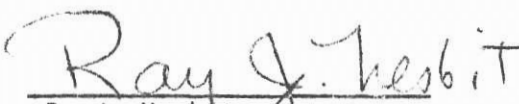
Samoa Peninsula, Humboldt County

Mr. Rutsch reported on the Samoa Peninsula access project which he also inspected last week. An existing Navy seaplane ramp was remodeled for this project and has served adequately for boat launching, but is in need of major repairs. The county is making temporary repairs to the ramp, but feel that ultimately it will have to be rebuilt. Mr. Rutsch informed the Board that public use of this project is increasing because of the new bridge giving direct access to Samoa from Eureka.

Assemblyman Belotti requested staff continue to work with the county on the upgrading of these projects.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


R. J. Nesbitt
Executive Officer

PROGRAM STATEMENT

At the close of the meeting on June 28, 1972, the amount allocated to projects since the Wildlife Conservation Board's inception in 1947, totaled \$33,158,264.34. This total includes \$3,544,021.14 reimbursed by the Federal Government under the Accelerated Public Works Program completed in 1966, the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, the Anadromous Fish Act Program, and the Pittman-Robertson Program.

The statement includes projects completed under the 1964 State Beach, Park, Recreational and Historical Facilities Bond Act.

a.	Fish Hatchery and Stocking Projects	\$10,119,821.59
b.	Fish Habitat Development and Improvement Projects	3,742,895.48
1.	Reservoir Construction or Improvement	\$1,950,838.63
2.	Stream Clearance and Improvement	244,092.28
3.	Stream Flow Maintenance Dams	439,503.32
4.	Marine Habitat	270,779.36
5.	Fish Screens, Ladders and Weir Projects	837,681.89
c.	Fishing Access Projects	10,128,563.71
1.	Coastal Access	892,973.23
2.	River, Stream and Bay Access	2,648,516.94
3.	Lake, Reservoir & Salton Sea Access	2,632,327.02
4.	Piers	3,954,746.52
d.	Game Farm Projects	146,894.49
e.	Game Habitat Development and Improvement Projects	8,138,829.95
1.	Wildlife Areas	7,700,380.83
2.	Miscellaneous Game Habitat Development	438,449.12
f.	Hunting Access	472,436.81
g.	Miscellaneous Projects	375,322.31
s.	Special Project Allocations	33,500.00
	Total Allocated to Projects	\$33,158,264.34

STATUS OF FUNDS

Wildlife Restoration Fund

Unallocated balance at beginning of 6/28/72 meeting	\$254,527.03
Plus unexpended balance 1969/70 Support	12,050.15
Plus Interest on Surplus Money Invested	57,666.74
Less allocations	<u>60,000.00</u>

Unallocated balance at close of 6/28/72 meeting \$264,243.92