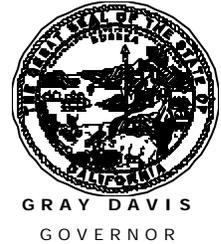




STATE MINING & GEOLOGY BOARD
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
STATE OF CALIFORNIA



RESULTS

THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

Held a Regular Business Meeting on:

April 10, 2003

Immediately Following the Conclusion of the Surface Mining
Standards Committee Meeting Which Commenced
at 9:00 A.M.

Department of Consumer Affairs
400 R Street, First Floor Hearing Room
Sacramento, CA

AGENDA

(NOTE: The Chairman may alter the hearing start time or agenda item order during the meeting)

- I Call to Order (Jones)**
- II Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum**
- III Director's Report (Young, Department of Conservation)** (Information)
- IV Chairman's Report (Jones)** (Information)
- V Executive Officer's Report (Parrish)** (Information)
- VI Good of the Meeting** (Information)
(This time is scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to address non-agenda items. Those wishing to speak should do so at this time. Speakers are limited to three minutes except by special consent of the Chairman)
- VII Consent Items** (Action)
 - 1. Approval of Minutes, March 13, 2003, Regular Business Meeting.
Staff report
APPROVED AS AMENDED
- VIII Continued Business Items** (These business items have been continued from a previous meeting) (Action)
 - 2. Adoption of Emergency Regulations Relating to Reclamation Policies Requiring Backfilling and Site Recontouring of Open Pit Surface Mine

Mission of the State Mining and Geology Board is to Represent the State's Interest in the Development, Utilization and Conservation of Mineral Resources; Reclamation of Mined Lands; Development of Geologic and Seismic Hazard Information; and to Provide a Forum for Public Redress

Excavations for Metallic Minerals.

Staff report

ADOPTED

3. Adoption of Permanent Regulatory Language Amending Section 3704.1 to Title 14, California Code of Regulations (14CCR) Requiring Backfilling and Site Recontouring of Open Pit Mine Excavations for Metallic Minerals.

Staff report

ADOPTED

IX New Business

(Action)

4. Acceptance of Annual Fee Schedule for Mines Subject to the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (PRC Section 2710 et. seq.) Pursuant to PRC Section 2207.

Staff report

ACCEPTED

5. Approval of a Financial Assurance Amount for the Donovan Ranch Property, Pursuant to PRC Section 2773.1 and 14CCR Section 3804.

Staff report

APPROVED

6. Issuance of an Administrative Penalty to Clinton and Kathleen Donovan for Failure to Possess an Approved Reclamation Plan for Surface Mining Activities at the Donovan Ranch Property, El Dorado County

Staff report

ACTION DEFERRED

7. Consideration of a Request for Exemption from the Requirements of SMARA, Pursuant to PRC Section 2774(f), for Exploration Drilling Activities Near the Cactus Mine in Kern County. (The Surface Mining Standards Committee will consider this issue prior to the Board meeting and will make a recommendation to the Board.)

Staff report

EXEMPTION APPROVED

8. Consideration of Procedures for the Release and Forfeiture of Financial Assurances. The Board May Propose and Approve Regulatory Language for Circulation for Public Comment.

Staff report

DEFERRED TO MAY 2003 MEETING

9. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Pursuant to PRC Section 2696(b) and 14CCR Section 3723(a), a hearing will be conducted to receive public comments and recommendations for the Preliminary Seismic Hazard Maps specific to the areas encompassed in the Alpine Buttes, Lancaster East, Lancaster West, Littlerock, and Ritter Ridge quadrangles in Los Angeles County, and the Santa Teresa Hills quadrangle in Santa Clara County. Individuals are encouraged to present comments to the SMGB at this time.

[Staff Report](#)

- X Special Reports and Department Presentations** (Information)
(Based on these Reports, the Chairman may instruct the Board staff to initiate administrative actions)

XI SMGB Committee Reports

NONE GIVEN

XII Executive Session (Closed to the Public)

[The Board will discuss information from its legal counsel on pending litigation and may take appropriate actions based on this information. This session is being held under Government Code § 11126.] Items to be discussed:

- a) Calvert, et al vs. SMGB et al, Case # OOCS01434, Sacramento Superior Court (Information)
- b) Loring Brunius vs. SMGB, Case # PC 20010449, El Dorado County
- c) An un-named case where there is potentially significant exposure to litigation against the Board.

XIII Reopen Regular Business Session, Announce Results of Executive Session

NO ACTIONS TAKEN

XIV Announcements of Future Meetings

XV Adjournment

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