

MINUTES

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE
May 4, 1977

Members Present: Chairman Moody
Mr. Coulter
Mr. Ross
Mr. Polish
Mr. Serpa
Mr. Jeffrey
Mr. Kissam
Mr. Rhoads

Members Absent: Mr. Chaney

Chairman Moody called the meeting to order in the Assembly Lounge, and explained that the meeting had been called to hear testimony and discuss S.J.R. 28.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 28 - Urges Secretary of Interior to develop recreational facilities at Fire Mountain project.

Assemblyman John Jeffrey testified that in 1974 there was a flood in Eldorado Canyon in the Lake Mohave district of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area which destroyed Nelson Landing and in which several people were killed. All the picnic, camping, fishing and other recreational areas were wiped out. The facility cannot be rebuilt at the same location due to the danger of flooding, and there has been a feasibility study conducted which has recommended a new area where the recreational facilities can be rebuilt which is not too far from the old one. New roads will be built. S.J.R. 28 asks the Secretary of the Interior to go ahead with this program.

Mr. Kissam asked if the new designated area is out of the flood range. Mr. Jeffrey said that it is. Mr. Rhoads asked about the water based recreation, and Mr. Jeffrey said that this area is part of Lake Mead. Mr. Serpa asked how many facilities would be constructed, and Mr. Jeffrey said that it would be essentially the same with picnic, camping and boating provided for, and probably a store and restaurant.

Mr. Jeffrey moved that the committee give a Do Pass recommendation to S.J.R. 28, was seconded by Mr. Ross, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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