# NOTICE OF STATE OWNERSHIP

		File No. Sketch File 15
		<u>Cameron</u> County
STATE OF TEXAS	§	
COUNTY OF CAMERON	§ §	Date Filed: September 23, 1999
		David Dewhurst, Commissioner Bouglas Howard

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that certain land situated in Cameron County, Texas and described as follows:

Approximately 0.307 acres (13,373 sq.ft.) of submerged and 0.043 acres (1,865 sq.ft.) filled submerged land out of State Tract 733, Laguna Madre, Cameron County, Texas, adjacent to parts of Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 116, Padre Beach, Section VIII, in the Town of South Padre Island, as recorded in Volume 15, Page 27, Map Records, Cameron County, Texas, and as depicted on Exhibit "A" as to the existing Lots 1, 2, and 3, and on Exhibit "B" as to the proposed re-subdivision of Lots 1, 2, and 3 into Lots 1 and 2, said Exhibits "A" and "B" being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes,

is owned by the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas (the "State") for the benefit of the public free schools of Texas. The State asserts its title to the Property as sovereign, continuous, and unbroken as of the date of this notice.

The State has never granted or conveyed the submerged land or any part thereof, to any person or entity, and no action or inaction by the State or any person or entity, nor limitation or document of record, singularly or in combination, has lawfully divested or encumbered the title of the State to the submerged land. The illegally filled submerged land was leased to the owner of the upland portion of Lots 1, 2, and 3 by Surface Lease SL-920063, but title and ownership remains with the State.

The Property has been and is now exempt from all ad valorem and other taxes under the provisions of the Texas Constitution and Section 11.11, Property Tax Code.

Use, enclosure, and/or encumbrance of the Property without permission of the State may subject the user to the assessment of a civil penalty of \$200.00 per day, as provided in Chapter 33 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, and/or a penalty of up to \$1,000.00 per day as provided in Chapter 51 of the Texas Natural Resources Code. Further information may be obtained from the Asset Management Division, Texas General Land Office,

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Stephen F. Austin Building, 1700 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas, 78701-1495, (512) 463-5102.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my hand and the seal of the Texas General Land Office, executed the <u>7</u> day of <u>september</u>, 1999.

### THE STATE OF TEXAS

By .: Naird Sewhurst

DAVID DEWHURST, Commissioner, Texas General Land Office and Chairman, School Land Board

Approval: Content: Legal Services: General Counsel: Chief Clerk:



After Recording, Return to:

Robert H. Dedman Asset Management Division Texas General Land Office 1700 North Congress, Ste. 720 Austin, Texas 78701-1495

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# MEMORANDUM

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## TIME SENSITIVE: Action Requested By: 9/7/99 9AM

DATE	September 2, 1999
To:	Commissioner Dewhurst
CC:	Larry Soward, Spencer Reid, Ashley Wadick
From:	LaNell Aston, Bob Dedman
SUBJECT:	NOTICE OF STATE OWNERSHIP, .350 ac. Submerged Land, South Padre Island,
Ca	meron County
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**SUMMARY:** The attached notice is to assert on record the State's ownership of a tract of submerged land included within a recorded sub-division plat and claimed by a private landowner.

**DETAILS:** As shown on Exhibit "A" to the Notice of State Ownership, a recorded plat in the town of South Padre Island, Cameron County, includes within 3 lots approximately 0.350 acres (15,238 sq.ft.) of State owned submerged and filled submerged land. The purchaser of the upland portion of the 3 lots was required to execute a surface lease (SL-920063) for the area of the illegally filled submerged lands encumbered by his house as built (1,865 sq.ft.). This action acknowledged the existence of the State owned filled submerged land. The property owner has now filed a preliminary re-subdivision plat, proposing to re-configure lots 1, 2, & 3 into lots 1 and 2 (Exhibit "B" to Notice). Of the 0.501 acres in the subject lots, the state owns 0.350 acres. The State does not allow its lands, submerged, filled, or otherwise, to be encumbered by platting without its joinder and approval. Attached hereto are letters from the GLO notifying both the upland owner and city officials of the unlawful action involving the State owned submerged lands.

**Recommendations(s):** Upon approval of the Notice of State Ownership by each necessary staff member, sign, date, and seal the Notice, returning it to staff for recording in the Real Estate Records of Cameron County, with a copy sent to the property owner.

Attachments: Notice of State Ownership (2) with Exhibits

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Texas General Land Office

David Dewhurst Commissioner August 31, 1999

## VIA REGULAR MAIL & CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED NO. P795-975-553

Mr. Joe Rayl P. O. Box 197 Bolivar, Missouri 65613-0197

RE: Lease Agreement No. 92-0063; Lot One, Block 116, Town of South Padre Island

### Dear Mr. Rayl:

It has been brought to our attention that you are in the process of replatting a lot which is under contract with the General Land Office in the above referenced lease agreement. Due to your failure to notify the Land Office of your intentions to replat and pursuant to the terms of the contract issued to you on July 1, 1992, you are in default of Article XII (d) of the contract due to your representation that certain submerged state-owned land is privately owned. This breach of contract may result in the termination of your contract by action of the School Land Board or the Texas Land Commissioner. In the event of such termination, you will be required to remove the structure described above. It will be considered an unauthorized use of state land and you will be subject to civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per day for each day of violation pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code, Section 51.302, and or up to \$200 per day for each day of violation of Texas Natural Resources Code, Section 33.112. In addition, the Commissioner may have the unauthorized structure removed from Coastal Public Land and seek restitution for costs incurred pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code, Section 51.3021.

Please contact my office at (512) 463-5236 within 30 days of the receipt of this letter to discuss resolution of this matter.

Sincerely,

Spencer L. Reid, Acting Deputy Commissioner, Asset Management Division

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1700 North Congress Avenue

> Austin, Texas 78701-1495

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David Dewhurst Commissioner

August 31, 1999

Mayor Edmund K. Cyganiewicz Town of South Padre Island 4501 Padre Boulevard South Padre Island, Texas 78597-7326

Lot 1, Block 116, Padre Beach Section VIII, Re: Cameron County, Texas

Dear Mayor Cyganiewicz:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter forwarded by our office to Mr. Joe Rayl regarding the above referenced property along with a copy of the plat in the Map and Plat Records of Cameron County. Mr. Rayl has failed to notify the Texas General Land Office (the Lessor in Lease Agreement 92-0063) of his intentions to replat and subdivide his lot.

Please be advised that the General Land Office will take all steps necessary to ensure the protection of Permanent School Fund land in this matter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call at (512) 463-5236.

for L.Ku Sincerely,

Spencer L. Reid, Acting Deputy Commissioner, Asset Management Division

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EXHIBIT B

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