

SECOND UNIT IN POWER PROGRAM FOR THIS AREA LAUNCHED SOON

Hearing Will Be Held in
Las Vegas on July 20
Before Commission

IS IMPORTANT MOVE

Development of Eldorado
Canyon Area Will Be
Discussed Then

Hearing on the establishment of the proposed Nelson-Searchlight power district to facilitate the construction of a transmission line to carry Boulder dam power into that area to develop the great mineral deposits still untouched in this rich gold district, will be held in Las Vegas on Saturday, July 20, according to word received today from Harley A. Harmon, chairman of the Nevada public service commission.

This is the second step looking toward the development of southern Nevada thru the use of cheap Boulder dam power, the first already having been approved by the commission which authorized the establishment of a power district in Lincoln county to bring about the construction of a transmission line from Boulder dam to Pioche.

THIS FIRST UNIT would develop the vast lead-zinc-manganese-silver properties in the Lincoln county district, and has the backing of several of the nation's largest mining concerns with large holdings in the Pioche area, and has reached the stage where application has been made to the PWA administration for a loan of \$1,500,000 to construct the 150 mile line. Approval of this application is expected to be forthcoming from Secretary Ickes within the next thirty days.

The Nelson project, second unit in the development program for this area, is considerably smaller in cash outlay required, but is expected to result in the development of at least five of the larger mining properties in the famous Eldorado Canyon mining district, and many others in the Searchlight section, with the employment of in excess of 1,000 men when the properties get into production on the anticipated scale.

THE HEARINGS WILL get under way at 10 o'clock in the morning, and is expected to develop interesting testimony concerning the plans of the various companies for carrying on their programs in that district.