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Directors of the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency Tuesday night deferred action for two weeks on a proposal to obtain special engineering and financial consulting services.

The proposal was submitted to the board at its Tuesday night meeting by the Policy Study Committee.

Cost of the engineering, to be done by Boyle Engineering, would be \$27,500. A fee of \$2500 would be paid to Bartle-Wells Associates for the financial consulting services.

The suggestion to defer ac-

tion on the item was made by Director S. Joseph Hunt.

Early in the meeting, the directors discussed at length a recently published report relating to land subsidence in the Antelope Valley.

The report shows that at one location — 70th St. E. and Ave. 1 — the land has subsided 1.5 feet in a five-year period (from the 1966-67 fiscal year to the 1971-72 year).

Land subsidence is caused by removal of underground water, thus reducing the ground water storage capacity of the ground.

## Hughes firm makes \$5000 donation to Aero Museum

Significant support from the Howard Hughes Summa Corporation has been given to the Antelope Valley Aero Museum with a \$5000 donation.

Lee Embree, secretary of the AV Aero Museum, said that the donation should serve to "break the ice" resulting in other major corporate donations.

Members of the AV Aero

Museum group are currently working weekends to ready a Hughes-owned Convair 240 airliner for a flight to Fox Field.

Last Sunday, the plane, which Hughes had refurbished for executive use, was taxied for the first time since 1957.

The Summa Corporation is holding company for the former Hughes Tool Company.

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