

Nixon's Estate

SAN DIEGO—A state tax official has denied published reports that it has already been determined that the assessment of President Nixon's Western White House estate should be doubled.

No such determination has been made, said John Lynch of the state Board of Equalization.

The board is investigating the alleged under-assessment of Mr. Nixon's estate, at the request of the Orange County Board of Supervisors. The county board asked for the reassessment Tuesday, and the state board is obliged by law to comply.

The Oakland Tribune quoted what it said was an unreleased report by the state board's appraisers, placing the value of Mr. Nixon's 24.6-acre beachfront estate at San Clemente at more than \$2.9 million. The estate is currently assessed at \$1.3-million.