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SCH # 2013081079

Project Title: Revisions to Title 19 – Kern County Zoning Ordinance (2020A) Focused on Oil and Gas Local Permitting

Lead Agency: Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department Contact Person: Cindi L. Hoover
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 City: Bakersfield Zip: 93301-2323 County: Kern

Project Location: County: Kern City/Nearest Community: Multiple

Cross Streets: n/a Zip Code Multiple

Lat. / Long.: _____ Total Acres: 3,700 square miles

Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple Section: Multiple Twp.: Multiple Range: Multiple Base: _____

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 99, 58, 43, 46, 119, 223, 204, 33 Waterways: Kern River

Airports: Multiple Railways: Multiple Schools: Multiple

Document Type:

CEQA:	<input type="checkbox"/> NOP	<input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIR	NEPA:	<input type="checkbox"/> NOI	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Document
	<input type="checkbox"/> Early Cons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supplement/Subsequent EIR		<input type="checkbox"/> EA	<input type="checkbox"/> Final EIR	<input type="checkbox"/> Final EIR Amendment
	<input type="checkbox"/> Neg Dec	(Prior SCH No.) <u>2013081079</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIS	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	_____
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Local Action Type:

<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Update	<input type="checkbox"/> Specific Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Rezone	<input type="checkbox"/> Annexation
<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Prezone	<input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment
<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Element	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Use Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Permit
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment to Zone Ord.

Development Type:

<input type="checkbox"/> Residential: Units _____ Acres _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation: Type _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Mining: Mineral _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Power: Type _____ MW _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Recreational _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste: Type _____
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Oil and Gas Exploration and Production</u>

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

<input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetic/Visual	<input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal	<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation/Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Land	<input type="checkbox"/> Flood Plain/Flooding	<input type="checkbox"/> Schools/Universities	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Quality
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Land/Fire Hazard	<input type="checkbox"/> Septic Systems	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Supply/Groundwater
<input type="checkbox"/> Archeological/Historical	<input type="checkbox"/> Geologic/Seismic	<input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Capacity	<input type="checkbox"/> Wetland/Riparian
<input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources	<input type="checkbox"/> Minerals	<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife
<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Zone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noise	<input type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste	<input type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducing
<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage/Absorption	<input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing Balance	<input type="checkbox"/> Toxic/Hazardous	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Use
<input type="checkbox"/> Economic/Jobs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Services/Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic/Circulation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Effects
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation: Developed and undeveloped land in Kern County. Current Zoning Classifications and General Plan Map Code Designations to remain the same.

Project Description: The proposed project is the preparation of a Supplemental Recirculated EIR (SREIR) (October 2020) for reconsideration of Revision to Title 19 of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance (2020 A) (Ordinance) for local permitting for oil and gas focused on Chapter 19.98 (Oil and Gas Production). On November 9, 2015 the Kern County Board of Supervisors approved amendments to Title 19 of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance, 19.98(Oil and Gas Production) and related sections of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance) to address oil and gas exploration and operation activities within the Project Area in greater detail. The Board of Superiors also certified an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) analyzing the impacts of the amendments, and the implementation of future oil and gas development activities expected to be undertaken pursuant to the amended Ordinance in accordance with the California Environmental

Quality Act (CEQA). Effective March 25, 2020, the previously-approved Ordinance amendments and certified EIR were set aside pursuant to an opinion issued by the Fifth Appellate District of the California Court of Appeal (Appellate Court) on February 25, 2020. The Appellate Court opinion rejected most of the legal challenges to the certified EIR except for five “CEQA violations” that the County must correct “in the event it decides to present the Ordinance (in its present or a modified form) to the Board for reapproval.”

A Draft SREIR (August 2020) was prepared, incorporating agency and public comments received during the NOP/IS and Scoping Process, and circulated August 3, 2020 for a 45 day public review period. This is the second circulation of a DSREIR for this process and incorporates all comments received on the Draft SREIR (August 2020) and the full document circulated August 2020. The County is preparing this SREIR to provide analysis to address the CEQA deficiencies found by the Appellate Court decision. The Draft SREIR will provide compliance for CEQA for reconsideration by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors of the Zoning Ordinance revisions focused on Oil and Gas Local Permitting.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # <u>Fresno</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Integrated Waste Management Board | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission | |

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date October 30, 2020 Ending Date December 14, 2020

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: _____ Applicant: _____
 Address: _____ Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
 Contact: _____ Phone: _____
 Phone: _____

 Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 10/30/2020