

State of California
Natural Resources Agency / Department of Conservation
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS, and GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES

**California Environmental Quality Act
Notice of Determination**

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Lead Agency: Kern County Planning & Community Development Department
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State Clearinghouse #: SCH# 2013081079

Lead Agency Project Title: Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting

Project Activity Title: New Well Applications

Permit Applicant: AERA ENERGY LLC

Project Location: South Belridge oilfield

County: Kern Section: 29
Township: 28S Range/Baseline: 21E /MD B&M
Latitude/Longitude: 35.463480/-119.726316

Project Description:

The originally approved project consists of an amendment to Title 19 Kern County Zoning Ordinance (July 2012), with focus on Chapter 19.98 (Oil and Gas Production), to include new site development standards for all oil and gas exploration, extraction, operations, and production activities in unincorporated Kern County. The Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources, as the CEQA responsible agency, will be issuing a permit for the proposed project activity, which consists of the following:

The Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources has approved permits for AERA ENERGY LLC to drill the oil and gas wells listed below, in the South Belridge oilfield of Kern County.

API #	Well Name	API #	Well Name
0403066006	C584N-29	0403066015	Emily Hopkins 11R-18
0403066005	C584D-29	0403066011	Emily Hopkins 81G-13
0403066002	Belridge I 8272E-2	0403066012	Emily Hopkins 13H-18
0403066003	Belridge III 8053E-3	0403066018	Emily Hopkins 22M-18
0403066004	Belridge I 8320C-2	0403066019	Emily Hopkins 18L-7
0403066014	Emily Hopkins 11J-18	0403066021	532LR4-33
0403066016	Emily Hopkins 12F-18	0403066022	8293C-2
0403066017	Emily Hopkins 12H-18		
0403066013	Emily Hopkins 88N-12		

Details on well locations are online at: <http://www.conservation.ca.gov/dog/Pages/Wellfinder.aspx>

This Notice of Determination (NOD) is to advise that the Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources (Division), as the **Responsible Agency** under CEQA, has approved the above project activity on 4/24/2019

Pursuant to the provisions of CEQA, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared and certified by the Lead Agency, Kern County Planning and Community Development Department, for the project "*Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting*" (SCH# 2013081079). The EIR for the project was approved on November 9, 2015 and became effective on December 9, 2015. During the review and approval process for this project activity, DOGGR considered the environmental impacts of the project, as shown in the EIR prepared by the Lead Agency, and accepts the following determinations made by the Lead Agency:

1. **Environmental Impacts** from the project will
 - Have a significant effect on the environment
 - Not have a significant effect on the environment
2. **Environmental Document** prepared for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA:
 - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 - Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
 - Negative Declaration (ND)
3. **Mitigation Measures** were
 - Made a condition of approval of the project.
 - Not made a condition of approval of the project.
4. **Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP)** was
 - Adopted for this project
 - Not adopted for this project
5. **Statement of Overriding Considerations** was
 - Adopted for this project
 - Not adopted for this project
6. **Findings** were
 - Made for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA (14 CCR 15091)
 - Not made for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA (14 CCR 15091)

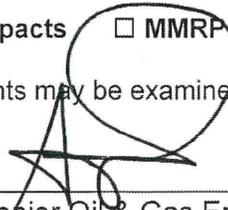
A copy of the EIR prepared by Kern County Planning and Community Development Department for the project "*Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting*" (SCH# 2013081079), including the Response To Comments, MMRP, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Findings, and all other related documents, are available for public examination at the Planning and Community Development Department, located at: 2700 "M" Street, Suite 100, Bakersfield, CA 93301; or an electronic copy of these documents may be accessed online at: <http://pcd.kerndsa.com/oil-gas-zoning-amendment>

For any **additional environmental impacts** identified by the Division that are beyond those already identified by the Lead Agency, the Division has prepared additional documents as part of its Responsible Agency review and approval process for this project activity, as follows:

No Additional Impacts **MMRP** **Findings** **Statement of Override**

A copy of these documents may be examined online at: <http://www.conservation.ca.gov/dog/CEQA>

Certified: _____


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