

State of California
Natural Resources Agency / Department of Conservation
GEOLOGIC ENERGY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

**California Environmental Quality Act
Notice of Determination**

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State Clearinghouse #: 1996121013

Lead Agency Project Title: 1997 DOE/SEIS/PEIR-0158S

Project Activity Title OG California Resources 082022-207

Permit Applicant: California Resources Elk Hills, LLC

Project Location: Elk Hills Oil Field

County: Kern Section: 35

Township: 30S Range/Baseline: 24E/ MD B&M

Latitude/Longitude: 35.272950, -119.375234

Project Description:

The approved project consists of: drilling one (1) new well in the Elk Hills oil field specifically within the Shallow Oil Zone (SOZ). All project activities are covered by the Elk Hills Oilfield Incidental Take Permit (ITP 2081-2014-019-04) and are subject to all pre-activity survey requirements, project monitoring, disturbance compensation and compliance reporting conditions within that permit. The project consists of a 1997 SEIS/PEIR which allows exploratory and development drilling in the Elk Hills Oil Field.

CalGEM has approved a permit for California Resources Elk Hills, LLC to install the oil and gas well listed below, in the outside of Elk Hills oilfield.

API#	Well Name
0403069535	15H-35S

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

This Notice of Determination (NOD) is to advise that the Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM), as the **Responsible Agency** under CEQA, has approved the above project activity on 9/13/22.

Pursuant to the provisions of CEQA, and environmental document was prepared by the Lead Agency for the project, as follows:

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SCH #: 1996121013

Date Certified or Adopted: 12/15/97

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 environmental document prepared by the Lead Agency for this project, including any Response To Comments, MMRP, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Findings, and all other related documents, are available for public examination at N/A, located at N/A, or an electronic copy of these documents may be accessed online at: N/A

For any additional environmental impacts identified by CalGEM that are beyond those already identified by the Lead Agency, CalGEM 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 the State Clearinghouse: <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/>

Certified: Xinyi Hu
Geologic Energy Management Division

Date: 9/15/2022