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GEOLOGIC ENERGY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

California Environmental Quality Act

Notice of Determination

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Lead Agency Project Title: Los Cerritos Wetlands Oil Consolidation and Restoration Project

CalGEM Project Title: OG Synergy 072023-201

Project Applicant: Synergy Oil & Gas, LLC

Project Location: Seal Beach Oil Field,
Section 02, Township 05 S, Range 12 W Baseline: MDBM

County: Los Angeles County

Project Description: Synergy Oil & Gas, LLC, proposed to drill 12 new oil wells in the Seal Beach Oil Field, in the City of Long Beach, to continue resource development. The 12 new oil wells are part of a larger project, disclosed in the certified CEQA document which consists of consolidating the operator's existing oil operations and implementing wetlands habitat restoration activities that would provide new public access opportunities to this portion of the Los Cerritos Wetlands. Work consists of site preparation, drilling, testing and ancillary construction for storage and processing of product as well as connections for new production equipment to existing pipelines, as well as new pipeline connections. The work is estimated to take 303 days to complete once work has begun.

The project is located in the coastal zone and has received approval from the California Coastal Commission. The project has also received approval from the City of Long Beach.

The activity being permitted by the Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) is within the scope of the Los Cerritos Wetlands Oil Consolidation and Restoration Project, Environmental Impact Report.

CalGEM, as a CEQA responsible agency, approved permits for Synergy Oil & Gas, LLC to drill the

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

wells listed below, in the Seal Beach Oil Field in Los Angeles County.

API #	Well Name	Latitude, Longitude
0403730603	Bixby A 2-7	33.75400120, -118.10558640
0403730597	Bixby A 2-1	33.75408550, -118.10550010
0403730605	Bixby A 2-3	33.75413890, -118.10544450
0403730602	Bixby A 2-8	33.75402780, -118.1055560
0403730596	Bixby A 2-2	33.75411110, -118.10547220
0403730606	Bixby A 2-10	33.75419580, -118.10539200
0403730600	Bixby A 2-11	33.75422520, -118.10446990
0403730599	Bixby A -9	33.75397370, -118.10561490
0403730604	Bixby A 2-5	33.75405560, -118.10552780
0403730598	Bixby A 2-4	33.75416670, -118.10541670
0403730601	Bixby A 2-6	33.75394770, -118.10564140
0403730607	Bixby A 2-12	33.75425640, -118.10534470

CalGEM, as a Responsible Agency under CEQA, conducts an environmental review limited to those project impacts which are required to be carried out or approved by CalGEM, or which will be subject to the exercise of powers by CalGEM. (Pub. Resources Code, § 21002.1; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15096). This review includes considering the Lead Agency's environmental document(s) and determining whether the project falls within the scope of the document and whether and how to approve the project involved.

CalGEM completed its review of the proposed activity(s) within its jurisdiction and determined that CalGEM will rely on the Lead Agency's environmental document(s) and the findings therein, as it pertains to the proposed project.

This Notice of Determination (NOD) is to advise that CalGEM, as the **Responsible Agency** under CEQA, approved the above project activity(s) on 8/21/2023.

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 (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15091)
- Not made for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15091)

A copy of the Los Cerritos Wetlands Oil Consolidation and Restoration Project, Environmental Impact Report and associated documents prepared by City of Long Beach, Development Services Department, including the Response To Comments, MMRP, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Findings, and all other related documents, are available for public examination at the City of Long Beach, Development Services Department, located at: 333 W Ocean Blvd 5th Floor, Long Beach, CA 90802; or an electronic copy of these documents may be accessed online at: <https://www.longbeach.gov/lbds/planning/environmental/reports/>

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