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Notice of Determination - Inyo County

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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: Amendment to Reclamation Plan 96-12/Keeler –MS#300 California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) 500 South Main St Bishop, Ca 93514.

Applicant Phone Number: 760-872-0681

Project Location: Highway 136 at post-mile marker 15.5. The pit is approximately 3.5 miles southeast of the town of Keeler, in portions of Section 15, Township 17, Range 38 East M.D.M on-Assessor Parcel # 031-010-19.

Project Description: The applicant has applied for an amendment to Reclamation Plan 96-12. The project proposes expanding mining operations at Keeler Pit MS #300 for continued maintenance of dirt shoulders in Inyo County. Approximately 300,000 cubic yards of material will be extracted from the site over a 30 to 50-year span in an 8.1 acre-expansion area. Mining will occur in 4 phases, entailing the creation of a dirt access road and a material extraction pit east and southeast of the existing pit. Four to six inches of topsoil will be relocated to soil berms on the north, south and east edges of the pit. The pit will be graded to ensure storm water containment (final slope configuration 3:1 or flatter). All equipment storage and operations will occur within the limits of the existing (lower) pit. A retention basin, to manage and contain all storm water, will be constructed in the lower pit.

Project Action: Amendment to Reclamation Plan 96-12/Keeler –MS#300 California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

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Project Contact


Person: Ryan Standridge, Associate Planner, 760-878-0265

Lead Agency: Inyo County Planning Department

Summary: This is to advise that the Inyo County Planning Commission approved the above-described project on May 29, 2019 and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 No CEQA documents necessary for this application, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at offices of the Inyo County Planning Department, 168 N. Edwards Street, Independence, California.


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Director, Inyo County Planning
Department

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Date