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SCH # 2021110076

Project Title: Gem Hill Quarry Project by CalPortland Company (PP21404)

Lead Agency: Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department

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City: Bakersfield

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County: Kern

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

Cross Streets: The project site is located on the west side of Mojave Tropico Road, approximately two miles south of Backus Road; approximately four miles northwest of the unincorporated community of Rosamond; also being located within portions of Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36 of Township 10 North, Range 13 West, San Bernardino Base and Meridian (SBBM), County of Kern, State of California.

Lat. / Long.: 34° 55' 19.57488" N / 118° 13' 15.75640" W Total Acres: 210.75 acres (210-acre reclamation plan boundary plus .75-acre primary access road)

Assessor's Parcel No.: portion of 345-032-02 (primary access road); portions of APN 345-031-02, APN 345-032-05 and APN 345-294-17, all of 345-032-31 Section: portions of Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36

Twp.: 10N Range: 13W Base: SBB&M

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: N/A

Waterways: multiple ephemeral drainage features

Airports: N/A

Railways: N/A

Schools: N/A

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 type="checkbox"/> Supplement/Subsequent EIR		<input type="checkbox"/> EA		<input type="checkbox"/> Final Document
	<input type="checkbox"/> Neg Dec	(Prior SCH No.) _____		<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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Other _____			

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mining: Mineral: <u>naturally occurring pozzolan (volcanic tuff)</u>
<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 type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

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

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

- Undeveloped / Zoning: A (Exclusive Agriculture) / Kern County General Plan: 8.3 (Extensive Agriculture), 8.4 (Mineral and Petroleum), 8.4/2.4 (Mineral and Petroleum – Steep Slope), 8.5/2.4 (Resource Management – Steep Slope)

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

The project proponent has submitted: (a) a Conditional Use Permit (CUP 45, Map 214) application, to allow a surface mining operation and development of a reclamation plan on approximately 82 acres of an approximately 210-acre reclamation plan boundary, which would utilize a 0.75-acre primary access road outside of such reclamation plan boundary to provide access to/from Mojave Tropic Road.

Access to the site would be obtained via two access roads to Mojave Tropic Road, specifically the aforementioned access road and a secondary access road to the north thereof. The project proponent proposes to employ open pit, multibench, and drill and blast mining techniques to mine naturally occurring pozzolan (volcanic tuff), which is used in the production of cement. No crushing or processing of mined material would occur onsite.

The life of the operation is proposed to be 30 years. Annual mineral production is estimated to be 500,000 tons, and the maximum total mineral production is estimated to be 15 million tons. The total anticipated production of mine waste (overburden) is estimated to be 600,000 tons, which would be disposed in two onsite overburden stockpiles. The proposed maximum depth of excavation is 300 feet below original grade. No phasing of mining is proposed.

Maximum operational inter-bench slopes (also referred to as bench face slopes) for the quarry will be 0.25:1 (horizontal:vertical (H:V)) with overall slopes of 1:1 (H:V). Maximum final reclaimed inter-bench slopes for the quarry will be 0.25:1 (H:V). Overall final reclaimed slopes for the quarry will be a maximum of 1:1 (H:V).

Maximum operational slopes for the overburden stockpiles will be 1.5:1 (H:V). Maximum and overall final reclaimed slopes for the overburden stockpiles will be 2:1 (H:V).

Operations would typically be conducted between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, with the understanding that additional shifts or longer/alternative hours may be required due to operational constraints. As proposed, there would be a maximum of 20 employees onsite at any one time. These 20 employees would include haul truck drivers, who would haul overburden onsite (from the quarry to the overburden stockpiles), as well as hauling naturally occurring pozzolan (volcanic tuff) offsite to clients.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights |
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_____ Integrated Waste Management Board
 S Native American Heritage Commission

 S Other So. San Joaquin Arch. Info. Ctr.
 S Other CalGEM - Bakersfield
_____ Other _____

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

Starting Date October 27, 2022 Ending Date November 10, 2022

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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

Signature of Lead Agency Representative: _____ */s/* _____ **Date:** October 27, 2022

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.