

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

California Environmental Quality Act
Notice of Determination

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Lead Agency Project Title: 2022 IS/MND, Poso Creek Phase III Underground Injection Control Project 566-09-021 Unincorporated Kern County.

Project Activity Title: UIC E&B 56609021 042023-001

Permit Applicant: E & B Natural Resources Management Corporation

Project Location: Poso Creek Oil Field

County: Kern *Section:* 32
Township: 27S *Range/Baseline:* 27E MD B&M
Latitude/Longitude: 35.54293000, -119.08956000

Project Description:

E&B will drill 4 new steamflood wells within the “Midway Premier” property in the Poso Creek Oil Field. The drilling and operation of these wells are included as part of the Project evaluated in the “Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration” (IS/MND), dated 1/26/2022 and approved 10/12/2022, by the California Department of Conservation, Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM). The 4 “Midway Premier” steamflood wells include 10-6i, 11-4i, 11-5i, and 11-6i.

CalGEM has approved permits for E & B Natural Resources, to drill the wells listed below, in the Poso Creek Oil Field of Kern County.

Well	API
Midway Premier 10-6i	0403069738
Midway Premier 11-4i	0403069739
Midway Premier 11-5i	0403069741
Midway Premier 11-6i	0403069740

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 **Lead Agency** under CEQA, has approved the above-described Project on May 19, 2023. Pursuant to the provisions of CEQA, an environmental document was prepared by the Lead Agency for the project, and has made the following determinations:

- 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)

This is to certify that the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of Project approval, including any Response to Comments, MMRP, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Findings, and all other related documents, are available for review to the public on CalGEM's website: <https://www.conservation.ca.gov/calgem/CEQA/Pages/CEQANotices.aspx>

A copy of these documents may be examined online at the State Clearinghouse:

<https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/>

Certified: *Daisy Duenas* **Date:** 5/19/2023
Geologic Energy Management Division
CEQA Program