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SCH #: _____

Project Title: West Bay Test Well Production Plan

Lead Agency: County of Santa Barbara

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Project Location: Cuyama, Santa Barbara, APN 147-020-045
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

West bay Exploration is requesting approval of a production plan (Case No 22PPP-00000-00001) to grade one new well pad, approximately 0.996 acres in size (140' x 310'), to drill one new test well for oil and gas exploration off of School House Canyon Rd in New Cuyama in Santa Barbara County. The surface elevation is 1,983.8 feet above mean sea level (AMSL) and the Target Depth is approximately 11,000 feet below ground level. No permanent facilities are proposed besides the single wellhead following drilling operations. The project would be implemented in two phases; Well Drilling and Well Plugging and Abandonment. Preparation and grading of the drill site would take approximately 5 days to complete. During site preparation activities the proposed project site would be graded, watered and compacted to establish a level and solid foundation for the drilling rig. Material would be balanced onsite. Drilling of the Well would last approximately 14 days. Non-hazardous waste (primarily drilling mud and cuttings) would be a product of this phase and it would be transported to E & P Waste. Grading includes 4,521 cubic yards of cut and 5,482 cubic yards of fill to account for the 25% compaction factor for shrinkage over a 10% grade. Therefore 961 cubic yards would be imported. Once dug, the well would be abandoned. No gas production is proposed as a part of the project. There are no permanent facilities proposed except for the single wellhead following successful drilling operations. One daily operator site visit would occur.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Air Quality - Construction operations will require dust control and compliance with APCD Diesel particulate and NOx emissions.
Biological Resources - The site is within the blunt-nosed leopard lizard range. The applicant shall contact the necessary jurisdictional agencies to ascertain the level of risk under the federal and California Endangered Species Act in implementing the project. Preconstruction surveys shall also occur to avoid disturbance or take of special status plant or animal species.
Fire Protection - Best Management Practices shall be used to prevent brush or grass fires during project construction.
Geologic Processes - An Erosion and Sediment Control Plan shall be prepared to minimize erosion during construction and shall be implemented for the duration of the grading period.
Hazardous Materials/Risk of Upset - A Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures Plan shall be prepared to include features and procedures for Project facilities to prevent crude oil, produced water, hazardous material or other oil product discharges from occurring.
Noise - Construction shall be limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
Water Resources - Sediment and contaminants shall be contained on site within designated areas to prevent pollution into the nearby drainage.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

NA

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

USFWS, CDFW, CalGEM