

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

California Environmental Quality Act

Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning & Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Department of Conservation
Geologic Energy Management Division
715 P Street, MS 1803
Sacramento, CA 95814

Contact: CEQA@conservation.ca.gov

Lead Agency: California State Lands Commission
200 Oceangate
Long Beach, CA 90802
Contact: Peter Regan
peter.regan@slc.ca.gov
(562) 786-5608

State Clearinghouse #: 2025010322

Lead Agency Project Title: Standard Oil Company Belmont Offshore Field W 9741
Negative Declaration
Date Adopted: 11/21/1974

CalGEM Project Title: 661186_DCOR_OG_UIC_PA

Project Applicant: DCOR, LLC

Project Location: Belmont Offshore Oil Field; 22/05S/12W/SB. The wellbore is located on Platform Esther, ~2 miles offshore near Seal Beach, CA

County: Orange County

Project Description: The proposed permitting activity is to abandon one well located on an existing offshore platform (Platform Esther) located ~2 miles offshore near Seal Beach, California along with 29 other active wellbores and associated equipment for oil & gas production. The proposed activity will take approximately five days to complete. There will be no new seafloor disturbance associated with the permitting activity. Temporary equipment for the permitting activity will be relatively minimal as most of the needed equipment is already in place to service the existing wells. Additional temporary equipment will consist primarily of cement pumping equipment. No new permanent equipment or facilities will be constructed. All waste materials generated will be properly disposed of in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The activity being permitted by the California Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) is within the scope of the Standard Oil Company Belmont Offshore Field W 9741 Negative Declaration (ND). The proposed permitting activity, the abandonment of one well, is addressed in part in the ND page 1, indicating that "[o]perations on the filled island will be essentially the same as those performed onshore", as well as on page 2 of the ND, which states "[t]he project

will be conducted in accordance with the procedures for drilling and production operations, and rules and regulations of the State Lands Commission and the State Division of Oil and Gas."

CalGEM, as the CEQA Responsible Agency, approved a permit for DCOR, LLC to abandon the well listed below, in the Belmont Offshore Oil Field in Orange County.

API #	Well Name	Latitude	Longitude
0425920036	State 3095 208	33.71895218	-118.11403656

CalGEM, as the 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 permitting activity(s) fall within the scope of the document and whether and how to approve the project involved.

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

This Notice of Determination (NOD) is to advise that CalGEM, as the **Responsible Agency** under CEQA, approved the above permitting activity(s) on 2/21/2025.

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 Standard Oil Company Belmont Offshore Field W 9741 ND and associated documents prepared by the California State Lands Commission can be made available to the public by contacting the California State Lands Commission, located at 200 Oceangate, Long Beach, CA 90802, (562) 786-5608. A copy of this NOD may also be accessed online at the State Clearinghouse: <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov>.

