

Notice of Determination

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From:

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: not available (Coastal Development Permit 9-23-0817, Issued July 16, 2024)

Project Title: Southern California Gas Company (SoCal Gas) Well Abandonment Project (California Coastal Commission Permit No. 9-23-0817)

Project Location (Los Angeles County): The project is located within the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve (BWER) is bounded by Fiji Way (north), 90 freeway and Freshwater Marsh (east), Carbora Drive (south), and Playa del Rey dunes homes (west). Well abandonment activities would occur off Culver Blvd. in North Area B Salt Pans. APN 4211-017-900 at latitude 33.96625, longitude -118.44226.

Project Description: Within the BWER, SoCal Gas, under order from California Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGem) and the California Coastal Commission (CCC), is plugging and abandoning two natural gas monitoring wells. This Notice is that CDFW is authorizing SoCalGas to conduct work outside of its easement area for the removal of concrete rig anchors within BWER.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on January 23, 2025 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will / will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the environmental analysis prepared by the Lead Agency under its certified regulatory program for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations Title 14, sections 15096, subdivision (f) and 15253.
3. Mitigation measures were / were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were / were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The environmental analysis conducted under its certified regulatory program prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as the Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature

1/27/2025

Date:

Erinn Wilson-Olgin, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____