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SCH # 2013081079

Project Title: Revisions to Title 19 – Kern County Zoning Ordinance (2020 A) Focused on Oil and Gas Local Permitting.

Lead Agency: Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department

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City: Bakersfield

Zip: 93301-2323

County: Kern

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

Cross Streets: n/a **Zip Code:** Multiple

Lat. / Long.: **Total Acres:** Approximately 2.3 million square acres

Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple **Section:** Multiple **Twp.:** Multiple **Range:** Multiple **Base:** Multiple

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 99, 58, 43, 46, 119, 223, 204, 33 **Waterways:** Kern River

Airports: Multiple **Railways:** Multiple **Schools:** Multiple

Document Type:

CEQA: ☒ NOP ☐ Draft EIR ☐ NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ Other: ☐ Joint Document
☐ Early Cons ☒ Supplement/Subsequent EIR ☐ EA ☐ Final Document
☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) 2013081079 ☐ Draft EIS ☐ Other
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Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ Specific Plan ☐ Rezone ☐ Annexation
☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ Master Plan ☐ Prezone ☐ Redevelopment
☐ General Plan Element ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Use Permit ☐ Coastal Permit
☐ Community Plan ☐ Site Plan ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☒ Zoning Ordinance

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ ☐ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ ☐ Transportation: Type _____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ ☐ Mining: Mineral _____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ ☐ Power: Type _____ MW _____
☐ Educational _____ ☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Recreational _____ ☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
☒ Other: Oil and Gas Exploration and Production

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☐ Aesthetic/Visual ☐ Fiscal ☐ Recreation/Parks ☐ Vegetation
☒ Agricultural Land ☐ Flood Plain/Flooding ☐ Schools/Universities ☐ Water Quality
☒ Air Quality ☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☐ Septic Systems ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater
☐ Archeological/Historical ☐ Geologic/Seismic ☐ Sewer Capacity ☐ Wetland/Riparian
☐ Biological Resources ☐ Minerals ☐ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☐ Wildlife
☐ Coastal Zone ☒ Noise ☐ Solid Waste ☐ Growth Inducing
☐ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Population/Housing Balance ☐ Toxic/Hazardous ☐ Land Use
☐ Economic/Jobs ☒ Public Services/Facilities ☐ Traffic/Circulation ☐ Cumulative Effects
☐ Other _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation: Developed and undeveloped land in Kern County. Current Zoning Classifications and General Map Code Designations to remain the same.

Project Description: The proposed project is the preparation of a Supplemental Recirculated EIR (SREIR) for reconsideration of Revisions to Title 19 of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance (2020 A)(Ordinance) for local permitting for oil and gas focused on Chapter 19.98 (Oil and Gas Production). On November 9, 2015 the Kern County Board of Supervisors approved amendments to Title 19 of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 19.98 (Oil and Gas Production) and related sections of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance) to address oil and gas exploration and operation activities within the Project Area in greater detail. The Board of Supervisors also certified an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) analyzing the impacts of the amendments, and the implementation of future oil and gas development activities expected to be undertaken pursuant to the amended Ordinance in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Effective March 25, 2020, the previously-approved Ordinance amendments and certified EIR were

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set aside pursuant to an opinion issued by the Fifth Appellate District of the California Court of Appeal (Appellate Court) on February 25, 2020. The Appellate Court opinion rejected most of the legal challenges to the certified EIR except for five "CEQA violations" that the County must correct "in the event it decides to present the Ordinance (in its present or a modified form) to the Board for reapproval." The County is preparing this SREIR to provide analysis to address the CEQA deficiencies found by the Appellate Court decision. The Draft SREIR will provide compliance for CEQA for reconsideration by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors of the Zoning Ordinance revisions focused on Oil and Gas Local Permitting.

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	San Joaquin River Conservancy
	Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
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	Other _____

Starting Date April 29, 2020 Ending Date May 29, 2020

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