## 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

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State Clearinghouse #: SCH# 2013081079

Lead Agency Project Title: Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and

Gas Local Permitting

Project Activity Title: WST Aera 052-0054

**Project Applicant:** 

Aera Energy LLC

Project Location: South Belridge Oil Field

County: Kern Section: 33

Township: 28S Range/Baseline: 21E /MD B&M

Latitude/Longitude: 35.4541723 -119.7138782

## **Project Description:**

The originally approved project consists of an amendment to Title 19 Kern County Zoning Ordinance (July 2012), with focus on Chapter 19.98 (Oil and Gas Production), to include new site development standards for all oil and gas exploration, extraction, operations, and production activities in unincorporated Kern County. The Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM), as the CEQA responsible agency, will be issuing a permit for the proposed project activity, which consists of the following:

The Geologic Energy Management Division has approved permits for California Resources Production Corporation to hydraulically fracture the oil and gas wells listed below, in the South Belridge Oil Field of Kern County.

API#	Well Name	API#	Well Name
0403066177	961LR2-33	0403066189	962AR-33
0403066178	541Z2-33	0403066190	584M3-33
0403066179	562A2-33	0403066191	976JR-33
0403066181	931RR-33	0403066192	973HR-33
0403066182	561C3-33	0403066193	952GR2-33
0403066187	972ER-33	0403066194	974G-33
0403066188	521D1-33	0403066195	933KR2-33

Details on well locations are online at: http://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 Responsible Agency under CEQA, has approved the above project activity on December 31, 2020.

Pursuant to the provisions of CEQA, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared and certified by the Lead Agency, Kern County Planning and Community Development Department, for the project "Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting" (SCH# 2013081079). The EIR for the project was approved on November 9, 2015 and became effective on December 9, 2015. During the review and approval process for this project activity, DOGGR considered the environmental impacts of the project, as shown in the EIR prepared by the Lead Agency, and accepts the following determinations made by the Lead Agency:

Environmental Impacts from the project will  ☑ Have a significant effect on the environment □ Not have a significant effect on the environment			
<ul> <li>Environmental Document prepared for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA:</li> <li>☑ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)</li> <li>☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)</li> <li>☐ Negative Declaration (ND)</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Mitigation Measures were</li> <li>✓ Made a condition of approval of the project.</li> <li>☐ Not made a condition of approval of the project.</li> </ul>			
Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP) was  ☑ Adopted for this project ☐ Not adopted or this project			
Statement of Overriding Considerations was  ☑ Adopted for this project □ Not adopted for this project			
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)			
of the EIR prepared by Kern County Planning and Community Development Department for the "Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting 2013081079), including the Response To Comments, MMRP, Statement of Overriding lerations, Findings, and all other related documents, are available for public examination at the ang and Community Development Department, located at: 2700 "M" Street, Suite 100, Bakersfield, CA or an electronic copy of these documents may be accessed online at: <a href="http://pcd.kerndsa.com/oil-gas-amendment">http://pcd.kerndsa.com/oil-gas-amendment</a>			
y <b>additional environmental impacts</b> identified by CalGEM that are beyond those already identified Lead Agency, CalGEM has prepared additional documents as part of its Responsible Agency review proval process for this project activity, as follows:			
☑ No Additional Impacts ☐ MMRP ☐ Findings ☐ Statement of Override			
of these documents may be examined online at the State Clearinghouse: https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov			
Certified: Date: _January 7, 2021			

**CEQA Unit** 

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