

RIVERSIDE COUNTY LANNING DEPARTMENT

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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FROM: **Riverside County Planning Department** 4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor \boxtimes

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County of Riverside County Clerk

Riverside, CA 92502-1409

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination ("NOD") in compliance with Section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code.

Revision No. 2 to Surface Mining Permit 159 (SMP00159R2)/Environmental Assessment 43079 (EA43079) Project Title/Case Numbers

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State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to the State Clearinghouse)

P.O. Box 77850, Corona, CA 92877

Chandler Aggregates, Inc. Project Applicant

Address

Northeast of the intersection of Gilman Springs Road and Bridge Street, unincorporated Riverside County, CA. Project Location

Surface Mining Permit No. 159, Revision No. 2 is a proposed revision to the existing mining and reclamation plan to accommodate an expansion of mining activities from approximately 150.4 acres to approximately 204.9 acres, or an increase of disturbance on-site of 54.5 acres. The Gilman Springs Mine (herein, "Mine") encompasses approximately 1,021.4 acres. Additionally, SMP159R2 would increase mining reserves from approximately 14,000,000 tons to 44,000,000, or an increase of approximately 30,000,000 tons. SMP159R2 also would enhance the site's utility by allowing for the recycling of broken concrete, asphalt, and other inert materials, which would be used as an Inert Debris Engineered Fill Operation (IDEFO) as part of site reclamation. SMP159R2 would accommodate an expansion of the approved limits of aggregate mining activities, facilitate more efficient export processing of aggregate materials from the Mine site by altering the days and hours of operation within 300 feet of the Mine site's boundary, establish an annual tonnage limit on import and export of materials to and from the Mine site that is reflective of the Mine site's mining capacity, reclaim the 204.9 acres subject to mining activities to a suitable condition by revising SMP159 to identify ultimate site elevations in conformance with Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 (SMARA) and the regulations and requirements of Riverside County, assist Riverside County in achieving the conservation objectives of the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP), and establish updated standards for operational mining activities at the Gilman Springs Mine site that provide flexibility in mining operations. No changes are proposed to the annual tonnage limit of 1,000,000 tons per year, and tonnages of both the mining activities and the IDEFO would be included as part of the site's 1,000,000ton annual limit. Additionally, SMP159R2 also includes a proposed reclamation plan that shows the proposed slopes and final grading contours planned upon completion of mining activities on site. The Project also proposes a change in timing for approved for mining activities within 300 feet of the Mine boundary from between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. excluding Sundays and federal holidays, to between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., seven days per week including Sundays and federal holidays. All operations located more than 300-feet from the outside project boundary may operate 24-hours per day throughout the site. The proposed surface mining permit revision proposes a 50-year life of permit until December 31, 2070. Proiect Description

This is to advise that the Riverside County Planning Commission, as the lead agency, has approved the above-referenced project on September 23, 2020, and has made the following determinations regarding that project:

- The project WILL have a significant effect on the environment.
- An Environmental Impact Report WAS prepared for the project pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (\$3,343.25+\$50.00) 2. and reflect the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.
- Mitigation measures WERE made a condition of the approval of the project. 3.
- 4 A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan/Program WAS adopted.
- A statement of Overriding Considerations WAS adopted 5.
- 6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the earlier EA/EIR, with comments, responses, and record of project approval is available to the general public at: Riverside County Planning Department, 4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor, Riverside, CA 92501.

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Urban Regional Planner Title

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