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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Reclamation Plan Amendment for the Gordon Sand Company Guadalupe Division

Lead Agency: County of Santa Barbara

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Project Location: Guadalupe, Santa Barbara County
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed project is a Reclamation Plan Amendment and Coastal Development Permit to extend existing mining operations at the Guadalupe sand mine 100 years to March 1, 2115. The extended end date serves to reflect the average annual production rate and Applicant/Operator estimates for the rate of natural sand replenishment at the site. Other proposed changes to the Reclamation Plan include implementing active revegetation in certain areas only if natural revegetation is not evident within the first three years following cessation of mining.

The total excavation volume approved under the site's existing Conditional Use Permit No. 77-CP-66 (CZ) is 60,000 tons annually. The current average annual production rate of extraction is approximately 25,000 – 30,000 tons of sand per year. The proposal to extend the life of the mining operation by 100 years would not increase the mining area or the volume of excavation over the original approval. Daily operations at the sand mine would continue with no substantial change over the current conditions.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The proposed project may result in significant impacts to aesthetics (visually incompatible structures), air quality (extensive dust generation), and biological resources (a loss or disturbance to a unique, rare or threatened plant community; a reduction in the numbers or restriction in the range of any unique, rare or threatened species of plants; a reduction in the extent, diversity, or quality of native vegetation, a deterioration of existing fish or wildlife habitat, and an introduction of any factors which could hinder the normal activities of wildlife); however, implementation of the following mitigation measures would reduce impacts to a less-than-significant level.

Mitigation Measure Air-01 requires implementation of the County's and SBCAPCD's dust control measures, and Mitigation Measures Bio-01 through Bio-11 require biological training, surveys, delineation, monitoring, and proper material disposal to reduce impacts to less-than-significant levels.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

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Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

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