TULARE COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION Kebo Oil and Gas, Inc. Project (PSP 20-023)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tulare County intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Kebo Oil and Gas, Inc. Project, Special Use Permit PSP 20-023. The MND has been approved for public review by the Tulare County Environmental Assessment Officer. Copies are available for review and comment at the Resource Management Agency, Permit Center, 5961 South Mooney Blvd, Visalia, California 93277-9394. Comments and recommendations on the adequacy of the environmental document may be filed at the aforementioned address during the public review period established for the project.

1. **PROJECT:** Kebo Oil and Gas, Inc. Project (PSP 20-023)

2. **APPLICANT/AGENT:** Kebo Oil and Gas, Inc. 701 Wildcat Drive Portland, TX 78374

- 3. **LOCATION:** The proposed project is located approximately 3.5 miles north of the unincorporated community of Richgrove in Tulare County, California (APN 338-200-005). The proposed project site is located in the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 12, Township 24 South, Range 26 East, MDBM, within the Richgrove USGS 7.5-minute Quadrangle. The longitude and latitude for the proposed project site using mapping datum NAD 83 is 35.854725N, -119.119545W. The surface location of the proposed project site is on land owned by County of Tulare.
- 4. **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Project proposes the construction of a new well pad and to drill one (1) exploratory oil and gas well to a depth not to exceed 5,000 feet TVD subsurface. If economical quantities of oil and gas are discovered in the proposed well, KEBO would install the necessary production equipment on the well site as described below under the production phase section. No well stimulation, including hydraulic fracturing or enhanced oil recovery technique, are proposed as part of this project. If the well is not viably commercial, the well will be plugged and abandoned, the disturbed land will be restored to substantially the same conditions as existed prior to construction of the project.
- 5. **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:** The MND can be viewed at the Resource Management Agency office located at the address above, **by appointment only**; or on the County web site at: https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/index.cfm/planning-building/environmental-planning/mitigated-negative-declarations/kebo-oil-gas-project-psp-20-023/

Due to current COVID-19 protocols, no copies of the MND shall be available at any libraries at the moment.

- 6. **REVIEW PERIOD:** October 19, 2020 November 18, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.
- 7. **CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner at (559) 624-7121 or HGuerra@co.tulare.ca.us (para Español llame Jose Saenz (559) 624-7102).

The MND has a review period of **30 days**, starting on **Monday**, **October 19**, **2020**, and ending on **Wednesday**, **November 18**, **2020**, which has been approved by the State of California, Office of Planning and Research. Any written comments on the MND should be sent to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency at the address noted above, to the attention of: Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner.

After the close of the public comment review period on the MND established by this notice, this matter will be set for public hearing before the Tulare County Planning Commission. Notice of the date, time and place for such public hearing will be published and/or mailed as provided by law.

Please take notice that - pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 21177, Government Code Section 65009, and other applicable law - if you challenge the proposed action described above in court, then you may be limited to raising only those issues or objections you or someone else raised during the public comment period or the public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency within the review period, or to the Planning Commission during the public hearing.

REED SCHENKE, P.E., ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OFFICER