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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE BLACK MOUNTAIN QUARRY PLANT KILN 2 CONVERSION FACILITY PROJECT

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA guidelines, the County of San Bernardino Department of Public Works has prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) to evaluate the environmental effects associated with the proposed construction and operation of the Black Mountain Quarry Plant Kiln 2 Conservation Facility located approximately 3.5 miles northeast of the intersection of Central Road and Quarry Road, Victorville, CA, San Bernardino County.

CEMEX Construction Material Pacific LLC, (CEMEX) is seeking identification of a second Engineered Municipal Solid Waste (EMSW) Conversion Facility at its existing Black Mountain Quarry Plant in the Siting Element, in order to maximize the use of EMSW. The Proposed Project is identified as "Kiln 2 Conversion Facility." CEMEX's objective is to utilize EMSW because of its economics, reliability, and benefit of reducing carbon emissions. The use of EMSW reduces the Plant's carbon footprint by reducing the need to use coal, pet coke and natural gas in the manufacturing of cement. The EMSW would be used as a supplemental/alternative fuel for the facility's rotary Kiln 2 in the preheater. The facility's identification within the Siting Element is required in order for the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) to review and issue necessary permits. The Kiln 2 Conversion Facility will require issuance of a Solid Waste Facility Permit from the LEA. EMSW is currently used at Kiln 3 as a supplemental/alternative fuel for the facility's rotary kiln and preheaters plant. As with Kiln 3, Kiln 2 will primarily consist of a prefabricated 3-sided screening enclosure for the trailers, belt conveyor, and hopper/feed system at the Black Mountain Quarry Plant. The operation is essentially a transfer station with materials coming into the site and then conveyed to Kiln 2 and the preheater.

The 30-day public comment period for the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on November 25, 2020 and closes on December 24, 2020. The document is available for review at the County of San Bernardino Public Works Department, or on the website: http://cms.sbcounty.gov/dpw/Home.aspx.

Please submit comments by 5:00 p.m. on December 24, 2020 to:

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Comments may be made on the Draft MND in writing before the end of the comment period. Following the close of the public comment period, the County Board of Supervisors will consider the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and comments thereto in determining whether to certify the environmental document at a public hearing.