

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA) / NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY / MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION VALLEY SALT MINE DANBY LAKE

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, County Staff prepared a Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) that identify and evaluate the environmental impacts of the Valley Salt Mine Danby Lake and Reclamation Plan proposed mining and processing operations.

Project Title: Valley Salt Mine Danby Lake

Project No.: PROJ-2020-00107

Project Location: Approximately 43 miles west of Parker, Arizona and 55 miles east of 29 Palms in southeastern San Bernardino County, California.

Project Description: Operation of a sodium or salt mine on 481 acres located entirely on BLM land for up to 51 years.

Environmental Review and Public Comment: The circulation of the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration\ Initial Study is to encourage written public comments. Interested persons can review the Draft IS/ND at the following physical location:

Land Use Services Department - Planning Division 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, First Floor San Bernardino, CA 92415-0187

You may obtain the document in electronic format at <u>http://cms.sbcounty.gov/lus/Planning/Environmental/Desert.aspx</u> or by emailing the Planner at <u>reuben.arceo@lus.sbcounty.gov</u>. To request a PDF version of the document from the Land Use Services Department database, please reference the project number above.

The comment period on the IS/MND commences on **April 23, 2021** and closes **May 23, 2021 at 5:00 PM**. Please submit comments to Reuben.Arceo@lus.sbcounty.gov or to:

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