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**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
(Public Resources Code section 21108)**

File Ref: L9643_L9644_A5040

SCH#: 2019119033

Item: 63

Title: Orni 5 Project (Conditional Use Permit#18-0038)

Applicant: ORNI 5 LLC

Location: Approximately 2,739 acres of school land (also referred to as lieu land) located within the Truckhaven geothermal area, southwest of the Salton Sea, Imperial County

Description: The Applicant proposes to conduct a geophysical survey (survey) and drill and test up to six geothermal exploration wells (exploratory wells) on private and State lands in the Truckhaven Geothermal Exploration Area, located south-southwest of Salton City in western Imperial County, California. Each of the proposed geothermal exploration wells would be located on separate, individual well pads that would be constructed on lands under geothermal lease to the Applicant. The State Lands Commission action is an amendment of a 5-year Geothermal Resources Lease to extend the lease period through October 31, 2030.

This is to advise that the California State Lands Commission, as Lead Agency Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on August 21, 2025, and made the following determinations regarding the project.

- 1) The project will will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2) A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3) Mitigation measures were were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
- 4) A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was or was not adopted for this project.
- 5) A Statement of Overriding Considerations was was not adopted for the project.
- 6) Findings were were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The lead agency for the project, Imperial County, adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and approved the project on December 11, 2019. The California State Lands Commission has previously considered the MND as prepared for this project by the Imperial County and adopted an independent Mitigation Monitoring Program incorporating the previous documents, which remains in full force. The and the record of project approval may be examined at the above shown California State Lands Commission Sacramento office address.

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