

# Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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**SCH # 2024081205**

**Project Title:** Mojave Life of Mine Reclamation Plan Amendment Project by CalPortland Company

Lead Agency: Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department

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City: Bakersfield

Zip: 93301

County: Kern

**Project Location:** County: Kern

City/Nearest Community: Tehachapi

Cross Streets: Tehachapi Willow Springs Road and Oak Creek Road

Zip Code: 93501

Lat. / Long. : 35° 2' 6.64214" N/ 118° 19' 4.63056" W

Total Acres: Approximately 4,367 acres

Assessor's Parcel No.: 237-032-01, 237-053-01, 237-071-02, 237-071-03, 237-071-04, 237-071-07, 237-073-01, 237-073-02, 237-091-01,

237-091-02, 237-091-04, 237-091-05, 237-091-17, 237-093-01, 237-101-06, 237-102-01

Section: Sections 19 and 30 / Sections 13-15, 23-28, 33 and 34

Township: 11N Range: 13W / 14W Base: San Bernardino Base and Meridian (SBB&M)

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: N/A

Waterways: multiple ephemeral drainage features, including Oak Creek

Airports: N/A

Railways: Union Pacific Railroad

Schools: N/A

## Document Type:

CEQA:  NOP  
 Early Cons  
 Neg Dec  
 Mit Neg Dec

Draft EIR  
 Supplement/Subsequent EIR  
(Prior SCH No.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

NEPA:  NOI  
 EA  
 Draft EIS  
 FONSI

Other:  Joint Document  
 Final Document  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Local Action Type:

General Plan Update  
 General Plan Amendment  
 General Plan Element  
 Community Plan

Specific Plan  
 Master Plan  
 Planned Unit Development  
 Site Plan

Rezone  
 Prezone  
 Use Permit  
 Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)

Annexation  
 Redevelopment  
 Coastal Permit  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Development Type:

Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commercial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  
 Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  
 Educational \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recreational \_\_\_\_\_

Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Transportation: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_  
 Power: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MW \_\_\_\_\_  
 Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other: Reclamation

## Project Issues Discussed in Document:

Aesthetic/Visual  
 Agricultural Land  
 Air Quality  
 Archeological/Historical  
 Biological Resources  
 Coastal Zone  
 Drainage/Absorption  
 Economic/Jobs  
 Other Energy, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Tribal Cultural Resources, Wildfire

Fiscal  
 Flood Plain/Flooding  
 Forest Land/Fire Hazard  
 Geologic/Seismic  
 Minerals  
 Noise  
 Population/Housing Balance  
 Public Services/Facilities

Recreation/Parks  
 Schools/Universities  
 Septic Systems  
 Sewer Capacity  
 Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading  
 Solid Waste  
 Toxic/Hazardous  
 Traffic/Circulation

Vegetation  
 Water Quality  
 Water Supply/Groundwater  
 Wetland/Riparian  
 Wildlife  
 Growth Inducing  
 Land Use  
 Cumulative Effects

## Present Land Use / Zoning / General Plan Designation

Vacant land, Wind turbines, vested limestone and construction materials mining, processing, and cement production facility / Zoning: A (Exclusive Agriculture), A WE (Exclusive Agriculture, Wind Energy Combining), A-1 (Limited Agriculture), A-1 FP (Limited Agriculture, Floodplain Combining), A-1 WE (Limited Agriculture, Wind Energy Combining), M-3 (Heavy Industrial), M-3 FP (Heavy Industrial, Floodplain Combining), M-3 WE (Heavy Industrial, Wind Energy Combining), E(20) RS (Estate – 20 acres, Residential Suburban Combining), NR(20) (Natural Resource – 20 acres), FPP (Floodplain Primary) / Kern County General Plan: 7.3 (Heavy Industrial), 7.3/2.4 (Heavy Industrial – Steep Slope), 7.3/2.5 (Heavy Industrial – Flood Hazard), 8.2 (Resource Reserve), 8.2/2.4 (Resource Reserve – Steep Slope), 8.4 (Mineral and Petroleum), 8.4/2.4 (Mineral and

**Project Description:**

The proposed Mojave Life of Mine Reclamation Plan Amendment Project consists of reclamation activities, such as recontouring, stabilizing, revegetation, and monitoring of final slopes and disturbed mining areas; reclamation of roads and ancillary equipment and facilities; and removal of the processing and cement plant facilities within the approximately 4,367-acre proposed project site. Although some reclamation activities are and would continue to be performed concurrent with ongoing mining and processing, reclamation activities for final site reclamation would occur after the completion of mining and processing operations.

On March 15, 2021, the Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department determined that mining and processing activities are a legal nonconforming (vested) use on approximately 6,658 acres of land owned by the project proponent, inclusive of the approximately 4,367 acres covered by the proposed project. As such, vested and continuing mining activities such as drilling, blasting, material recovery, material movement (with the exception of material movement pertaining to reclamation, e.g. redistribution of stockpiled growth media to aid in revegetation efforts), processing, cement production, and material transport for sale are not subject to discretionary approval by Kern County, and as such are not part of the proposed project. The project proponent proposes to continue to develop its limestone and construction materials resources within the existing vested properties and to increase the life of the mine by approximately 200 years to continue cement and construction materials production. The proposed project would not involve changes to the existing vested mining operations including, for example, production levels, mining systems or processes, and ultimate throughput from the cement plant.

Reclamation of continued operations would require the approval of the proposed project which would amend the approximately 1,542-acre existing reclamation plan (approved in 1979) through approval of the proposed approximately 4,367-acre reclamation plan applicable to the vested properties.

**Reviewing Agencies Checklist**

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| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Boating & Waterways, Department of     | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Office of Historic Preservation                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | California Highway Patrol              | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Office of Public School Construction                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | CalFire                                | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Parks & Recreation  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S | Caltrans District # <u>6 &amp; 9</u>   | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Pesticide Regulation, Department of                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Caltrans Division of Aeronautics       | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Public Utilities Commission                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Caltrans Planning (Headquarters)       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S | Regional WQCB # <u>Lahontan</u>                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Central Valley Flood Protection Board  | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Resources Agency  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy | <input type="checkbox"/>              | S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission              |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Coastal Commission                     | <input type="checkbox"/>              | San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers and Mtns Conservancy        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Colorado River Board                   | <input type="checkbox"/>              | San Joaquin River Conservancy                               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S | Conservation, Department of            | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Corrections, Department of             | <input type="checkbox"/>              | State Lands Commission                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Delta Protection Commission            | <input type="checkbox"/>              | SWRCB: Clean Water Grants                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Education, Department of               | <input type="checkbox"/>              | SWRCB: Water Quality  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Energy Commission                      | <input type="checkbox"/>              | SWRCB: Water Rights   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S | Fish & Game Region # <u>Fresno</u>     | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Tahoe Regional Planning Agency                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Food & Agriculture, Department of      | <input type="checkbox"/>              | Toxic Substances Control, Department of                     |
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| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Health Services, Department of         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S | Other <u>Southern San Joaquin Valley Information Center</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Housing & Community Development        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S | Other <u>CalGEM - Bakersfield</u>                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>              | Integrated Waste Management Board      |                                       |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S | Native American Heritage Commission    |                                       |   |
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**Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)**

Starting Date April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Ending Date June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

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**Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):**

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  4/17/2026

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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.