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GEOLOGIC ENERGY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

California Environmental Quality Act

Notice of Determination

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Lead Agency Project Title: DOI-BLM-CA-C060-2022-0071-EA
Date Adopted: 5/28/24

CalGEM Project Title: 590383_Group_INNEX_OG

Project Applicant: Innex California Inc. (Innex)

Project Location: Kettleman Middle Dome Oil Field; 30/23S/19E/MDBM

County: Kings County

Project Description: The 590383_Group_INNEX_OG project proposed by INNEX California, Inc. involves the clearing and grading of two existing well pads and existing access roads, the installation of associated power poles and pipelines, and the drilling activities necessary to construct and produce four new wells. The project would take place on private lands containing U.S. Department of the Interior/Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered mineral estate within the Kettleman Middle Dome Oilfield, for a total disturbance equal to 2.77 acres.

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.), the CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15000 et seq.), and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the California Department of Conservation's Geologic Energy

Management Division (CalGEM) is the CEQA lead agency for the proposed project, while the BLM is the NEPA lead agency. CalGEM has reviewed the approved Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) (DOI-BLM-CA-C060-2022-0071-EA) and finds that it meets the requirements of CEQA. BLM found that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, CalGEM intends to use the FONSI rather than preparing a Negative Declaration (ND) for this project.

The project activity(s) being permitted by CalGEM is within the scope of DOI-BLM-CA-C060-2022-0071-EA. CalGEM, as the CEQA Lead Agency, approved permit(s) for Innex California Inc. to drill the wells listed below, in the Kettleman Middle Dome Oil Field of Kings County.

API #	Well Name	Latitude	Longitude
0403120539	KMDU 33-30	35.900628	-119.959468
0403120540	KMDU 42-30	35.903331	-119.961055
0403120542	KMDU 45-30	35.900458	-119.959283
0403120541	KMDU 53-30	35.900695	-119.959238

This Notice of Determination (NOD) is to advise that CalGEM, as the **Lead Agency** under CEQA, approved the above permitting activity(s) on 12/18/2025

1. **Environmental Impacts** from the project will
   ☐ Have a significant effect on the environment
   ☒ Not have a significant effect on the environment
2. **Environmental Document** prepared for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA:
   ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
   ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
   ☐ Negative Declaration (ND)
   ☒ Finding of No Significance (FONSI), in place of ND/MND
   ☐ Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), in place of EIR
   ☐ Joint Document: ☐ EIS/EIR ☐ FONSI/ND
3. **Mitigation Measures** were
   ☐ Made a condition of approval of the project
   ☒ Not made a condition of approval of the project
4. **Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan** (MMRP) was
   ☐ Adopted for this project
   ☒ Not adopted for this project
5. **Statement of Overriding Considerations** was
   ☐ Adopted for this project
   ☒ Not adopted for this project
6. **Findings** were
   ☐ Made for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15091)
   ☒ Not made for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15091)

A copy of the environmental document and associated documents prepared by BLM, including the environmental assessment (EA), FONSI, Decision Record (DR), and all other related documents, can be made available to the public by contacting the CalGEM CEQA Program located at: 715 P Street, MS 1803, Sacramento, CA 95814-3530; by calling (916) 445-9686; or an electronic copy of these documents may be requested by contacting CEQA@conservation.ca.gov. A copy of this NOD may also be accessed online at the State Clearinghouse: https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov.

The approved NEPA documents are available for review on BLM's website at: https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2019142/510

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