

State of California
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 GEOLOGIC ENERGY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

**California Environmental Quality Act
 Notice of Exemption**

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Project Title: AW-9 (03721571) Rework

Project Applicant: Signal Hill Petroleum (SHP)

Project Location: Los Angeles County, Long Beach Oil Field; Section 19, Township 4S,
 Range 12W San Bernardino Base; 33.81275558, -118.18273163

Project Description: This project will require rig work at an existing well site. No environmental impact is expected. Rig and associated equipment will be transported to the site via public and/or private roadways in a manner that ensures the safety of the public and protection of the environment. SHP's rig fleet and service vehicles are in full compliance with CARB and South Coast AQMD requirements. Additionally, vehicles participate in the California Highway Patrol BITs program. Unless otherwise required, rig jobs are conducted during regular business hours to minimize possible disturbances. When necessary, sound walls and engine mufflers are used to mitigate noise conditions that may occur during the job.

The proposed project consists of the California Department of Conservation, Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) approving 1 permit for Signal Hill Petroleum to rework the well listed below, in the Long Beach Oil Field.

API #	Well Name
03721571	AW-9

Exempt Status: As the Lead Agency, CalGEM has determined that the proposed project is exempt from full environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to the specified exemptions marked in the section below. CalGEM further finds that the proposed project would not result in a significant adverse impact to the environment, or that any of the exceptions to the application of the exemptions apply (14 CCR § 15300.2).

Exemption Type		Statute (PRC)	Regulation (14 CCR)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Statutory Exemption:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing Project (<i>pre-CEQA approval on April 5, 1973</i>)	21169	15261 (b)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial	21080 (b)(1)	15268	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency	21080 (b)(3)	15269 (a)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Projects	21080 (b)(4)	15269 (b) or (c)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Categorical Exemption:	21084		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class 1: Existing Facilities		15301	1684.1
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction		15302	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Class 3: New Construction/Conversion of Small Structures		15303	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class 4: Minor Alterations to Land		15304	1684.2
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class 7: Protection of Natural Resources		15307	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class 8: Protection of the Environment		15308	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Class 11: Accessory Structures		15311	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Class 21: Enforcement Actions to revoke a permit		15321	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Class 30: Minor Actions to Prevent, Minimize, Stabilize, Mitigate, or Eliminate a Release (Actual or Threat) of Hazardous Substances (Waste or Material)		15330	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Class 33: Small Habitat Restoration Projects		15333	
<input type="checkbox"/>	General Exemption ("common sense")		15061 (b)(3)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not a "Project" subject to CEQA		15378 (b)(2)	
<p>CEQA Exceptions to the Exemptions (14 CCR § 15300.2): where project is located (e.g., sensitive environment); Cumulative Impact; Significant Effect due to Unusual Circumstances; Scenic Highways; Hazardous Waste Sites; Historical Resources.</p>				

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The basis for CalGEM's determination that the project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA is provided in the brief explanation below.

This NOI states the proposed project was identified by CalGEM district engineers as involving remedial/rework to address well integrity issues that requires swift action for the protection of public health, safety, and the environment. The categorical exemptions that apply in this case include, but are not necessarily limited to Class 1, Existing Facilities, Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15301, 1684.1, Classes 7 and 8, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources and the Environment, Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15307, 15308, and may also include Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction, Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15302, and Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land, Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15304, 1684.2.

