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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Public Resources Code Section 21092 and Cal. Code of Regulations Title 14, Section 15072 (the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act) require a local agency to provide a notice of intent to adopt a negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration to the public, responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and the county clerk of each county within which the proposed project is located, sufficiently prior to adoption by the lead agency of the negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration to allow the public and agencies the review period provided under Section 15105 of the Guidelines.

Project Title: ENV-2025-2885-MND

Project Location: Citywide - Ordinance applicable within the boundaries of the City of Los Angeles, which encompasses approximately 465 square miles.

Project Description: The Project is a proposed Oil and Gas Drilling Ordinance (Oil Ordinance, Ordinance, or Project) amending Sections 12.03, 12.20, 12.23, 12.24, and 13.01 of Chapter I of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) and Sections 1.4.7, 5D.9.7, 8.2.4, 12.1.2, 12.5.4, 13B.2.2, and Division 14.3 of Chapter 1A of the LAMC to prohibit new oil and gas extraction and make existing extraction activities a nonconforming use in all zones within the City of Los Angeles (City). Specifically, the Ordinance amends the LAMC to eliminate the provisions that allow for the creation of new “O” Oil Drilling Supplemental Use Districts; end by-right oil and gas extraction in the M3-Heavy Industrial Zones (including in any Industrial Use District of Chapter 1A of the LAMC); and declare existing oil and gas extraction within the City a nonconforming use. Upon being deemed nonconforming, these uses will be subject to limitations, including:

1. No new Oil Well for the production of oil, gas, or other hydrocarbon substances may be drilled.
2. No existing Oil Well for the production of oil, gas, or other hydrocarbon substances shall be maintained, drilled, re-drilled, or deepened.
3. The Oil Well site and its operations and equipment shall not be expanded or extended in any way, or intensified such that prohibited Oil Well activity under 1 and 2 above, or new permanent or temporary Oil Well site equipment are introduced beyond the limits of what was originally permitted.

The Ordinance permits otherwise prohibited activities, equipment, or changes to operations through a separate zoning process to cease a threat to public health, safety, or the environment. The Ordinance exempts from its requirements wells that are operated by a public utility that is regulated by the California Public Utilities Commission. Twenty years from the effective date of the Ordinance, all nonconforming, non-exempt oil and gas extraction uses will be required to cease operations and terminate, unless required to do so earlier due to idle status and/or inactivity.

Schedule: The City of Los Angeles will receive comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for 30 days beginning November 26, 2025 and ending December 29, 2025. The City of Los Angeles, as lead agency, will make a recommendation on the project at the scheduled City Planning Commission (CPC) hearing on December 11, 2025 (after 8:30am, Los Angeles City Hall, John Ferraro Council Chamber, 3rd Floor, Room 340, 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012; the agenda for this CPC meeting will be available no later than 72 hours before the meeting at planning4la.org/about/commissions-boards-hearings and will include the most up-to-date information on how to attend and submit comments directly to the CPC). The City of Los Angeles, as lead agency, will make a determination on the project, following a public hearing to be scheduled at a future date before the City Council.

Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and all documents referenced in the Mitigated Negative Declaration are available on the Department of City Planning's website at https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/negative-declaration-public-notices.You may contact Lilian Rubio at planning.oildrilling@lacity.org or (213) 978-1840 to access case file materials.

Signature: Lilian Rubio Date: November 21, 2025