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Date: July 15, 2026

To: Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation

Subject: Amended Notice of Availability
Draft Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration
Surprise Valley Geothermal Exploration Project (UP 2025-02) Initial Study (SCH No. 2026061281)

Modoc County (County), as the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency for the proposed Surprise Valley Geothermal Exploration Project (UP 2025-02) Initial Study (SCH No. 2026061281), respectfully requests that the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI) accept and post the attached Amended Notice of Availability (NOA).

The Amended NOA has been prepared to update the project contact information and to identify an additional public repository where the Initial Study is available for review. In conjunction with these amendments, the County has extended the public review period. Written comments on the Initial Study will now be accepted until **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2026**.

If you have any questions, please contact the County's Contract Planner, Bruce Grove, at (530) 221-5424 or at bgrove@shn-engr.com.

Sincerely,

Sean Curtis, Planning Director
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