State of California Natural Resources Agency / Department of Conservation DIVISION OF OIL, GAS, and GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Determination

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Lead Agency: Kern County Planning & Community Development Department 2700 M Street, Suite 100 Bakersfield, CA 93301-2370 (661) 862-8600								
State Clearinghouse #:		SCH# 2013081079						
Lead Agency Project Title:		Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting						
Project Activity Title:		New Well Applications						
Permit Applicant:		AERA ENERGY LLC						
Project Location:		Lost Hills oilfield						
		County:		Kern	Section: 18			
		Township:	:	26S	Range/Baseline: 21E	/MD B&M		
		Latitude/Longitude	de: 35.671594/-119.76075					

Project Description:

The originally approved project consists of an amendment to Title 19 Kern County Zoning Ordinance (July 2012), with focus on Chapter 19.98 (Oil and Gas Production), to include new site development standards for all oil and gas exploration, extraction, operations, and production activities in unincorporated Kern County. The Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources, as the CEQA responsible agency, will be issuing a permit for the proposed project activity, which consists of the following:

The Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources has approved permits for AERA ENERGY LLC to drill the oil and gas wells listed below, in the Lost Hills oilfield of Kern County.

API # Well Name 0403066171 Lost Hills Govt G4100R-18

Details on well locations are online at: http://www.conservation.ca.gov/dog/Pages/Wellfinder.aspx

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This Notice of Determination (NOD) is to advise that the Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources (Division), as the **Responsible Agency** under CEQA, has approved the above project activity on 5/10/2019.

Pursuant to the provisions of CEQA, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared and certified by the Lead Agency, Kern County Planning and Community Development Department, for the project "*Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting*" (SCH# 2013081079). The EIR for the project was approved on November 9, 2015 and became effective on December 9, 2015. During the review and approval process for this project activity, DOGGR considered the environmental impacts of the project, as shown in the EIR prepared by the Lead Agency, and accepts the following determinations made by the Lead Agency:

- 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)
- 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 (14 CCR 15091)
 □ Not made for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA (14 CCR 15091)

A copy of the EIR prepared by Kern County Planning and Community Development Department for the project "Revisions to the Kern County Zoning Ordinance – 2015 (C), Focus on Oil and Gas Local Permitting" (SCH# 2013081079), including the Response To Comments, MMRP, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Findings, and all other related documents, are available for public examination at the Planning and Community Development Department, located at: 2700 "M" Street, Suite 100, Bakersfield, CA 93301; or an electronic copy of these documents may be accessed online at: <u>http://pcd.kerndsa.com/oil-gas-zoning-amendment</u>

For any **additional environmental impacts** identified by the Division that are beyond those already identified by the Lead Agency, the Division has prepared additional documents as part of its Responsible Agency review and approval process for this project activity, as follows:

🛛 No Addi	tional Impacts	Findi	ngs 🛛	Statem	ent of Override	
A copy of these	documents may be examin	ned online at:	http://www	v.conser	vation.ca.gov/dog/CEQA	
Certified:	Senior Oil & Gas	Engineer		Date:	5/10/2019	
	Division of Oil, Gas, and Ge	eothermal Reso	urces	Governor's Office of Planning & Research		
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