



Imperial County Planning & Development Services Planning / Building

Jim Minnick
DIRECTOR

NOTICE OF INTENT

NOTICE OF INTENT IS HERBY GIVEN for the preparation of a (Negative Declaration Mitigated Negative Declaration) for the proposed Orni 5 Project (Conditional Use Permit #18-0038), pursuant to the *California Environmental Quality Act* and the County of Imperial's *Rules and Regulations to Implement California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as amended*.

LEAD AGENCY: Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department (ICPDS)

APPLICANT: ORNI 5, LLC

PROJECT LOCATION: Exploratory Geothermal well sites proposed location are in the Truckhaven Geothermal area which includes the surrounding area of the Salton Sea Airport area. Project wells will be located on parcels 017-970-011209 acres, 017-970-012 50 acres, 017-010-053 520 acres, 017-340-003 213 acres. Parcels are approx. 2 miles south of Salton City & west of Hwy 86.

The project site (is is not) listed on any list under Government Code Section 65962.5.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Applicant proposes to conduct a geophysical survey (survey) and drill and test up to six geothermal exploration wells (exploratory wells) on private and State lands in the Truckhaven Geothermal Exploration Area, located south-southwest of Salton City in western Imperial County, California. Each of the proposed geothermal exploration wells would be located on separate, individual well pads that would be constructed on lands under geothermal lease to the Applicant.

PUBLIC HEARING: An Imperial County Planning Commission (PC) public hearing will be conducted on a future date to be determined at a public hearing at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, located at 940 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243, to consider the adoption of the environmental document.

COMMENT PERIOD: November 8, 2019 thru December 8, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Comments will be accepted for the proposed project during this period. You may submit comments by mail (ICPDS office-see below), fax (442-265-1735) or email (at ICPDSCommentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us). Only comments submitted during the specified period will be considered unless otherwise allowed under CEQA.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: All required documents for the project are available at the ICPDS office located at 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 during normal working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

Jim Minnick, Director
Planning & Development Services

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