

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency):
County of Imperial
Planning & Development Services
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El Centro, CA 92243

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Project Title: Hell's Kitchen Geothermal – R&D Mineral Pilot Work

Project Applicant: Controlled Thermal Resources

Project Location – Specific:
7903 Davis Road, 3.6 miles southwest of Niland, California (APN 020-010-012)

Project Location – City: Niland Project Location – County: Imperial

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Hell's Kitchen Geothermal, LLC (a subsidy of Controlled Thermal Resources) proposes to conduct R&D mineral extraction pilot work on its Well Pad #1 site at the Salton Sea Geothermal Field. The pilot project anticipates technologies systems from multiple companies will be tested/studied for applicability and efficacy on the Salton Sea geothermal brine resource. The pilot project will last approximately 6 months.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Imperial County Planning and Development Services

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: James T. Turner, Controlled Thermal Resources

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15306**
- Statutory Exemptions, State Code Number: _____**

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Reasons why project is exempt:

The pilot project consist of the mineral extraction geothermal brine at Well Pad #1 to test and study for applicability and efficacy, which should not result in significant impacts to environmental resources.

Lead Agency Area Code/
Contact Person: Jim Minnick Telephone Extension: 442-265-1736

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 4/19/23 Title: ICPDS Director

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- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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