

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the requirements of the CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) and the County's "RULES AND REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT CEQA," the Imperial County Environmental Evaluation Committee (EEC) held a public hearing on **November 19, 2020** at **1:30 p.m.** in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 940 Main Street, El Centro, CA to hear the project(s) listed below and rendered a CEQA determination(s), e.g., Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration or an Environmental Impact Report. (NOTE: Interested parties have ten (10) calendar days to appeal the EEC's CEQA determination from the date of the public hearing)

(Mitigated Negative Declaration) Assessment #19-0020: Applicant: Second Imperial Geothermal: Install two new water-cooled ORMAT Energy Converters (OECs) to replace six old units from 1992; install three 10,000-gallon isopentane ground storage tanks; and, additional pipes to connect the proposed facilities with the existing Heber 2 Geothermal Energy Complex. All proposed facilities will be developed within the existing Heber 2 Complex fence line. The total project disturbance from developing the new facilities is approximately 4 acres. The proposed facility upgrades would allow the Heber 2 Complex to run more efficiently and refurbish the Heber 2 Complex to the original nameplate net capacity (33 megawatts) without expanding the existing facility beyond the current footprint. The CUP amendment application will renew the permitted life of the Heber 2 Geothermal Complex to 30 years (2019-2049). The proposed development would occur entirely on the 39.99-acre Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 054-250-031. This parcel includes geothermal facilities for the Heber 2, Goulds 2 and Heber South projects. The address for the Heber 2 Complex is 855 Dogwood Road, Heber CA 92249. The legal description is Tract 44, Township 16 South, Range 14 East, SBB&M, in an unincorporated area of the County of Imperial, California. (Supervisorial District #2), [David Black, Planner IV at (442) 265-1736, extension 1746 or by email at davidblack@co.imperial.ca.us].

(Mitigated Negative Declaration) Assessment #20-0016: Applicant: Hay Kingdom, Inc. Applicant is proposing to expand its operation to include an increase in tonnage to 1,100 tons of hay pressed per day, increase the number of presses to 4 presses, increase the annual raw hay processed to 250,000 tons, increase the double trailer truck round trips to site to 100 peak/24 low, increase container trips out to 60, increase employees to 80 and operate the facility 24-hours per day, 7 days a week (when necessary due to equipment maintenance issues). The property is legally described as portion of Tract 114, Township 15 South, Range 14 East, S.B.B.M. Assessor's Parcel Numbers 044-500-079-000, (393 E. Worthington Road, Imperial, CA, Supervisorial District #5), [Joe Hernandez, Planner IV at (442) 265-1736, extension 1748 or by email at joehernandez@co.imperial.ca.us].

(Mitigated Negative Declaration) Assessment #20-0018: Applicant: Imperial County Imperial County Executive Office and Imperial County Workforce and Economic Development; The project includes the CEQA review of the proposed Seeley Fire Facility and Cooling Center (Initial Study #20-0018) and Lot Merger (MERG#00147) application. The merger was required to join two lots within the parcel to have enough area for the proposed development. The scope of work of the facility includes construction of a 3,725 sq. ft. fire station and an 801 sq. ft. cooling center. It also includes parking, sidewalks, and perimeter fencing in the Townsite of Seeley. The property is legally described as Lots 7 to 12 Block 14 and Lots 5 to 10 Block 19 Amended Map of a part of Crabtree Addition to Seeley. The project site is approximately 8.5 acres. (APN 051-241-006-000)(1862 W. Evan Hewes Highway, Seeley, CA)(Supervisorial District #3) [Diana Robinson, Planner III at 442-265-1736, extension 1751 or by email at dianarobinson@co.imperial.ca.us]

(Negative Declaration) Assessment #20-0026: Applicant: Gordons Well II, LLC project applicant is requesting Conditional Use Permit #20-0009, 20-00010, 20-0011, and 20-0012 to increase in the current permitted water allocation per CUPs #10-0018, 10-0021 and 1205-96(B) and approval for a new well for a total allocation of 1,000 acre feet of water yearly, at 6626 Evan Hewes Highway (etal), Winterhaven, CA The property is described as a portion of the Section 26, Township 16 South, Range 19 East, SBB&M, Assessor Parcel Numbers 056-210-001, 008, 042, 044, 052, 053, 061, 063, 066 and 067-000,(Supervisorial District #5) [Joe Hernandez, Planner IV at 442-265-1736, extension 1748 or by email at joehernandez@co.imperial.ca.us].

Jim Minnick, Chairman
Environmental Evaluation Committee

Si usted requiere esta información en español, favor de llamar al (442) 265-1736.

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