



COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA) / NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) TO ADOPT  
AN INITIAL STUDY / MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
Searles Valley Minerals

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, County Staff prepared a Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) that identify and evaluate the environmental impacts of the Searles Valley proposed amendment to the East Borrow Pit Reclamation Plan and proposed extension of surface mining operations for a period of 18 years followed by a five (5) year period to monitor and complete reclamation.

**Project Title:** Searles Valley Minerals

**Project No.:** AP20090011

**Project Location:** Eastside of Searles Dry Lake, approximately six (6) miles east of Trona

**Project Description:** Amend the East Borrow Pit Reclamation Plan and extend surface mining operations for a period of eighteen (18) years followed by a five (5) year period to monitor and complete reclamation, Project No. AP20090011; APN NO. 0483-021-13

**Environmental Review and Public Comment:** The circulation of the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is to encourage written public comments. Interested persons can review the Draft IS/MND at the following physical location:

**Land Use Services Department - Planning Division**  
**385 North Arrowhead Avenue, First Floor**  
**San Bernardino, CA 92415-0187**

You may obtain the document in electronic format at <http://cms.sbcounty.gov/lus/Planning/Environmental/desert.aspx> or by emailing the Planner at [reuben.arceo@lus.sbcounty.gov](mailto:reuben.arceo@lus.sbcounty.gov). To request a PDF version of the document from the Land Use Services Department database, please reference the project number above.

The comment period on the IS/MND closes on **September 24, 2018 at 4:30 PM**. Please submit comments to [reuben.arceo@lus.sbcounty.gov](mailto:reuben.arceo@lus.sbcounty.gov) or to:

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