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# NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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FROM: Kern County Water Agency  
P.O. Box 58  
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MAY 30 2012

ANN K. BARNETT  
AUDITOR CONTROLLER-COUNTY CLERK  
BY J DEPUTY

SUBJECT:  All  Orig to file  Filing of Notice of Determination regarding Addendum No. 3 to the Negative Declaration for the Pioneer Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Project

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This is to advise that the Kern County Water Agency (Lead Agency) has approved the above described changes to the project on April 26, 2012, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- The project  will  will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- An Addendum to the Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- Mitigation measures  were  were not made a condition of approval for this project.
- A statement of Overriding Considerations  was  was not adopted for this project.

This is to certify that a copy of the Addendum No. 3 along with the Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the general public at:

Stuart T. Pyle Water Resources Center, Kern County Water Agency, 3200 Rio Mirada Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308.

Date Received for Filing: 5/8/12

J. M. Bl  
Signature  
Title General Manager

Notice of Environmental Document  
Posted by County Clerk on 5/30/12  
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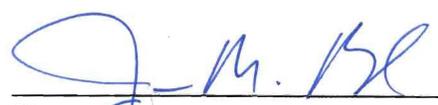
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ADDENDUM NO. 3 TO NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
(14 CCR 15164)  
Kern County Water Agency

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Lead Agency: Kern County Water Agency

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The Negative Declaration, and subsequent addenda, for the Project analyzed the potential environmental impacts of the construction and operation of groundwater recharges facilities on the subject property. The Agency has identified the need to periodically modify the height of one or more of the Project levees, or a portion thereof, to maintain the functionality of the Project. Modifications of the height of the levees may require modification of the levee embankments as well; however, these modifications will not alter the overall footprint of the Project. Additionally, modification of the levees will not alter the operations of the Projects from that which is described in the Negative Declaration and associated addenda.

Exhibit A to this addendum shows the current location of the Project facilities.

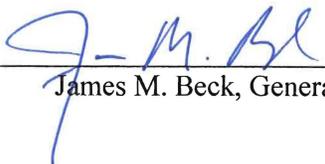
The Agency Board of Directors, having conducted a careful and independent review of the proposed changes to the Pioneer Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Project, described above, does hereby find and declare that said changes and additions are minor in nature and do not result in new significant environmental effects or substantially increase the severity of previously identified environmental effects, and do not call for the preparation of a subsequent negative declaration or environmental impact report pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15162. A brief statement of the reasons supporting the Board's findings is as follows:

This addendum revises the Negative Declaration to accurately reflect the periodic modification of the Project facilities.

Impacts associated with the modification of said facilities were analyzed in the Negative Declaration.

The Board of Directors hereby finds that this Addendum No. 3 to the Pioneer Groundwater and Recovery Project Negative Declaration reflects its independent judgment.

Dated: 5/8/12, 2012

  
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James M. Beck, General Manager



**KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY  
PIONEER PROJECT  
RECHARGE FACILITIES**

1 inch = 1,500 feet

**EXHIBIT A**



FILE: Pioneer\_Agreement\_Rech\_Ponds\_09-0113.mxd  
 CREATED: 05/27/2008, T. Haselbacher  
 REVISED: 01/14/2009, G. Chambliss





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PROJECT TITLE PIONEER GROUNDWATER RECHARGE AND RECOVERY PROJECT			
PROJECT APPLICANT NAME KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY			PHONE NUMBER (661) 634-1400
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS P.O. BOX 58	CITY BAKERSFIELD	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 93302-0058

**PROJECT APPLICANT** (Check appropriate box):

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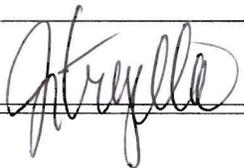
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