

City of Carpinteria

NOVEMBER 30, 2023 NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW ENDING JANUARY 31, 2024 (REVISED) CHEVRON CARPINTERIA OIL & GAS FACILITY DECOMMISSIONNG PROJECT PROJECT NO. 21-2128-DP/CDP

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, the City of Carpinteria, as Lead Agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified below and is accepting Public Comment, until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 31, 2024. The opportunity to comment has been extended by 15 days.

- **PROJECT TITLE**: Chevron Carpinteria Oil & Gas Facility Decommissioning Project (SCH #2022080026)
- PROJECT APPLICANT: Chevron West Coast Decommissioning Program 3916 State Street, Suite 200 Santa Barbara, California 93105
- **PROJECT LOCATION**: 5675 and 5663 Carpinteria Avenue Carpinteria, California 93013

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project proposes to demolish and remove the Facility including, but not limited to the onshore portions of the Facility (Onshore Facility), and State Waters Offshore Pipelines and complete remediation of impacted soils and groundwater at the Facility. Remediation is proposed to comply with levels established in a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) that will be reviewed by the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department, Environmental Health Services (SBCEHS), Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), and United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). The Project proposal assumes the most stringent clean up levels for the purpose of determining soil excavation and truck trip estimates and therefore a maximum amount of remediation activities (e.g., truck trips, site activities). The Applicant states remediation efforts will be performed along with preservation of existing site resources, including mature trees and bluffs, and in coordination with site constraints including

buffer zones adjacent to the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) right-of-way (ROW). The most stringent clean up levels would also result in greater flexibility for development on the site meeting the most rigorous standards (e.g., unrestricted land use).

The Draft EIR discusses whether the Project would create significant impacts to areas including Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Climate Change and Greenhouse Gases, Hazardous Materials and Risk of Upset, Hydrology and Water Resources, Land Use, Noise and Vibration, Transportation and Circulation, Tribal Cultural Resources, and other issue areas. The Project was found to have significant and unavoidable impacts related to Biological Resources, Hazardous Materials and Risk of Upset, and Water Resources. The consulting firm that assisted the City of Carpinteria in the preparation of the Draft EIR is MRS Environmental, Inc., 1306 Santa Barbara Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101.

SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT: <u>The Public Review Period is November 30, 2023, to</u> <u>January 31, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.</u> Please submit written comments to Mr. Nick Bobroff, Community Development Director, City of Carpinteria, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria, California 93013. Comments may also be submitted by email to: <u>nickb@carpinteriaca.gov</u>

Notice is also given that the City of Carpinteria will hold a public workshop on this Draft EIR with the City of Carpinteria Environmental Review Committee (ERC) on Monday, December 18, 2023, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Carpinteria City Hall, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria, CA 93013. Interested parties are invited to provide written comment on the Draft EIR via email and regular mail, to provide testimony at the ERC meeting, and to participate in decision-making hearings once the Draft EIR is finalized.

A copy of the Notice of Completion and Availability, the Draft Environmental Impact Report, as well as the full project description, are available at the City of Carpinteria, Community Development Department at 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria, California 93013, or online at:

https://carpinteriaca.gov/city-hall/community-development/oil-gas-information/oil-processing-facility-decommissioning/

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Community Development Department by email at <u>lorenae@carpinteriaca.gov</u> or by phone at (805) 755-4410 or the California Relay Service at (866) 735-2929. Notification two business days prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements for accessibility to this meeting.

Date: <u>12/14/2023</u>

Signature:

Nick Bobroff, Director Community Development Department (805) 755-4407 / nickb@carpinteriaca.gov