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CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH ANNOUNCES FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR PROPOSED E&B OIL DRILLING & PRODUCTION PROJECT

HERMOSA BEACH, Calif. (June 9, 2014) - The City of Hermosa Beach today announces that the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) prepared by Marine Research Specialists (MRS) at the City's direction in connection with the proposed E&B Natural Resources Management Corporation's Oil Drilling and Production Project will be available for review by the public beginning June 9, 2014.

The FEIR addresses E&B's proposal for development of 30 oil and gas production wells and four injection wells on the 1.3 acre lot currently housing the City's Public Works Maintenance Yard at the corner of Valley Drive and 6th Street in Hermosa Beach.

The City hosted a 60-day public review and comment period for the Draft EIR from Feb. 13 – April 14, 2014. All written comments and oral comments made at two Planning Commission meetings received during this period and responses to these comments are included in the FEIR.

The schedule of City meetings at which the FEIR and other aspects of the project will be addressed and considered includes the following dates, times and locations. Questions regarding the project may be directed to the Community Development Department at 310-318-0242.

Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) Hearing Schedule	
JUNE 10	Availability of the Final EIR responding to Public Comment on the Draft EIR online at http://www.hermosabch.org/index.aspx?page=755 Paper copies may be reviewed starting June 11 th at the office of the Community Development Dept., 1315 Valley Drive and the Hermosa Beach Library, 550 Pier Avenue. The public may obtain paper copies from the Community Development Dept. starting on June 16 th .
JUNE 18 7 PM	City Council/Planning Commission Study Session on the Final EIR
JUNE 23 6 PM	Planning Commission: Public Hearing to consider a recommendation on certifying the Final EIR, the Development Agreement and related matters
JULY 8 7 PM	City Council: Public Hearing to consider certifying the Final EIR and related matters
JULY 22 7 PM	City Council: Public Hearing to Consider adoption of Resolution to Place an Ordinance on the Ballot to allow the proposed project to proceed, including a Development Agreement and related matters
All meetings will be held at City Hall, 1315 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach	



The FEIR includes a detailed project description, identifies potential significant environmental impacts and feasible measures to mitigate those impacts to a level of insignificance, identifies significant impacts that cannot be fully mitigated to a level of insignificance, and provides comments on the Draft EIR and responses to those comments. The report was created in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act ('CEQA') requirement to prepare an environmental impact report prior to considering any project that may have significant adverse effects on the environment.

The City's website continues to be a valuable resource for related information. Visit www.hermosabch.org and click "Proposed E&B Oil Drilling and Production Project" to read all current news and updated materials. The Final EIR is available here:

<http://www.hermosabch.org/index.aspx?page=755>

Community members may also get questions answered by calling 310-318-0242.

About Hermosa Beach

Founded in 1907, Hermosa Beach is known as "The Best Little Beach City." Named "Southern California's Greenest City" for its work to protect the environment, it is a thriving community of some 20,000 residents located on the southern end of Santa Monica Bay in Los Angeles County, and its beaches have been ranked among the best in the world. To learn more, please visit www.hermosabch.org.

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