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## ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

The SMGB proposes new regulations which would add Article 16 to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), and provide 1) mandatory notification to the SMGB by the lead agency of mining ordinances that have been previously certified by the SMGB, and subsequently amended, and 2) mandatory recertification by the SMGB.

The proposed new regulation is intended to assure that all surface mining ordinances, both new and amended, will be reviewed and certified by the SMGB to assure that the ordinances remain in accordance with state policy. Specifically, upon adoption of a new mining ordinance, or amendment of an existing mining ordinance, a lead agency shall, within 30 days of such action, provide written notice of the complete text of the resulting mining ordinance to the SMGB to enable the Board to review the ordinance in accordance with PRC 2774.3, 2774.5(a) and 2774.5(b). In addition, when a lead agency has not provided the SMGB with timely notice of the complete text of its mining ordinance, the mining ordinance shall not be considered to be in accordance with state policy until the mining ordinance is certified by the SMGB as being in accordance with state policy.

Creation or Elimination of Jobs Within the State of California: The purpose of the proposed new regulation which would add Article 16 to Title 14 of the CCR is to assure that all surface mining ordinances, both new and amended, will be reviewed and certified by the SMGB to assure that the ordinances remain in accordance with state policy. No jobs in California will be created or eliminated in regards to the proposed regulation, but rather serves to assure that amendments to surface mining ordinances remain in accordance with state policy.

Creation of New or Elimination of Existing Businesses Within the State of California: The purpose of the proposed new regulation which would add Article 16 to Title 14 of the CCR is to assure that all surface mining ordinances, both new and amended, will be reviewed and certified by the SMGB to assure that the ordinances remain in accordance with state policy. The imposition of the proposed amendment will have no cost impact on small businesses. There will be no new businesses created or existing businesses eliminated. This regulation

serves to assure that amendments to surface mining ordinances remain in accordance with state policy.

Expansion of Businesses or Elimination of Existing Businesses Within the State of California: The purpose of the proposed new regulation which would add Article 16 to Title 14 of the CCR is to assure that all surface mining ordinances, both new and amended, will be reviewed and certified by the SMGB to assure that the ordinances remain in accordance with state policy. The imposition of the proposed new regulation serves to assure that amendments to surface mining ordinances remain in accordance with state policy.

Benefits of the Regulation: The purpose of the proposed new regulation which would add Article 16 to Title 14 of the CCR is to assure that all surface mining ordinances, both new and amended, will be reviewed and certified by the SMGB to assure that the ordinances remain in accordance with state policy. The proposed amendment will not adversely affect the health and welfare of California residents, worker safety, or the State's environment. The adoption of this proposed new regulation will benefit the health and welfare of California residents and the state's environment by assuring that all ordinances are in accordance with state policy.

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