

**DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD**

**“SECTION 100” CHANGES WITHOUT REGULATORY EFFECT - 2024**

**TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS**

New text added to existing regulations is shown in underline.

Text deleted from existing regulations is shown in ~~strike through~~.

**CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 14**

**DIVISION 2. DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION**

**CHAPTER 8. MINING AND GEOLOGY**

**Subchapter 1. State Mining and Geology Board**

**Article 1. Surface Mining and Reclamation Practice**

**§ 3504. Administration by Lead Agency.**

(a) Record Keeping. The lead agency shall establish and maintain in-house measures and procedures to ensure organized record-keeping and monitoring of surface mining reclamation under its jurisdiction. The lead agency shall forward a copy of each permit and approved reclamation plan and financial assurance instrument to the ~~director~~ supervisor of the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation.

(b) Financial Assurances. The lead agency shall ensure that the objectives of the reclamation plan will be attained. This may include provisions for surety bonds, irrevocable letters of credit, trust funds, or other forms of financial assurances adopted by the board in accordance with PRC § 2773.1(e), to guarantee the reclamation in accordance with the approved reclamation plan.

Authority cited: Section 2755, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2757, 2758(b), 2774(a) and 2778, Public Resources Code.

## **Article 2. Areas Designated to be of Regional Significance**

### **§ 3550.1. Tujunga and Pacoima Wash Areas of the San Fernando Valley Region, Los Angeles County.**

On January 7, 1981, following a December 11, 1980, public hearing, the Mining and Geology Board designated Sectors A, B, C, and D of the Tujunga and Pacoima Wash areas to be of regional significance. In general, these sectors are described as follows:

- (1) Sector A -Tujunga Valley east of the Hansen Dam flood control basin, west of the 210 freeway and excluding identified archaeological sites;
- (2) Sector B -the Hansen Dam Area;
- (3) Sector C -an area southwest of Hansen Dam; and
- (4) Sector D -Pacoima Wash north of Lopez Dam.

These sectors contain sand and gravel ~~deposits~~ deposits which provide a source of construction aggregate for the region's future need.

Designation Map #81-1 and a report summarizing the designation findings of the State Mining and Geology Board are on file at the Board's office in Sacramento.

Authority and reference cited: Section 2790, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3550.7. Construction Aggregate Resources, Claremont-Upland Region.**

A set of maps identifying the exact locations of the designated resources areas entitled "Regionally Significant Construction Aggregate Resources Areas in Claremont-Upland Production-Consumption Region" is incorporated by reference into this regulation. These maps are available from the State Mining and Geology Board's office in Sacramento.\*

The construction aggregate deposits in the following areas are designated as being of regional significance:

Sector A-The annual recharge area upstream from the San Antonio Creek Flood Control Dam.

Sector B-Eight parcels south of San Antonio Creek Flood Control Dam in the unurbanized areas of the San Antonio Creek Fan, northeast of the City of ~~Claremont~~ Claremont. Sector B is roughly bounded by Foothill Boulevard on the south, San Antonio Avenue on the east, and Thompson Creek on the west.

Sector C-Four parcels in the proximal part of the Cucamonga Creek Fan, north of the City of Upland. The area is generally north of 19th Street, west of Carmelian Avenue, east of Euclid Avenue, and south of the San Bernadino National Forest.

Sector D-Three parcels covering parts of the Day Creek and Deer Creek Fans between the Cities of Cucamonga and Fontana. It is bounded by the San Gabriel Mountains on the north and Highland Avenue on the south.

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\*Copies of the maps incorporated by this section accompanied the text which was filed with Secretary of State on 12-3-86.

Authority cited: Section 2790, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2726, 2761-2763 and 2790-2792, Public Resources Code.

**§ 3550.9. Construction Aggregate Resources, Saugus-Newhall and Palmdale Regions.**

A set of maps identifying the exact locations of the designated resources areas entitled "Regionally Significant Construction Aggregate Resources Areas in Saugus-Newhall and Palmdale Production-Consumption Region" is incorporated by reference into this regulation. These maps are available from the State Mining and Geology Board's office in Sacramento.\*

The construction aggregate deposits in the following areas are designated as being of regional significance:

Sector A-Portions of the Santa Clara River and its immediate flood plain extending from the Los Angeles County Line to Bee Canyon, parts of ~~Castaie~~ Castaic Creek, and Oak Spring Canyon.

Sector B-An area bounded by Bee Canyon on the northwest, the Santa Clara River to the south, and extending approximately one mile east of the Agua Dulce Canyon; and a triangle-shaped area with a boundary extending from the mouth of Pole Canyon west along an old railroad grade, south to Oak Spring Canyon then northeast back to the mouth of Pole Canyon.

Sector C-A triangular area beginning at the mouth of Pole Canyon, running southeast along the canyon to Oak Spring Canyon then southwest to Coyote Canyon, turning northeast to close the triangle back at the mouth of Pole Canyon.

Sector D-An area north of the California Aqueduct whose eastern boundary is along Little Rock Wash then turns west approximately one mile north of Boundary Avenue. The western boundary runs south near 47th Street and Fort-Tejon Road.

Sector E-An area of the Big Rock Wash bounded by the aqueduct on the south, North 165th Street on the east, Palmdale Boulevard on the north, and 116th Street on the west.

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\*Copies of the maps incorporated by this section accompanied the text which was filed with Secretary of State on 12-3-86.

Authority cited: Section 2790, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2726, 2761-2763 and 2790-2792, Public Resources Code.

**§ 3550.10. Construction Aggregate Resources, South San Francisco Bay Region.**

A set of maps identifying the exact locations of the designated resources areas entitled "Regionally Significant Construction Aggregate Resources Areas in South San Francisco Bay Production-Consumption Region" is incorporated by reference into this regulation. These maps are available from the State Mining and Geology Board's office in Sacramento.

Sector A-Aggregate deposit located in Amador Valley and Livermore Valley areas in the Cities of Pleasanton and Livermore in Alameda County.

Sector B-Alluvial deposit consisting of six parcels along Arroyo del Valle on the southwestern edge of Livermore in Alameda County.

Sector C-Alluvial deposit consisting of six parcels located along Arroyo ~~Muche~~ Mocho on the eastern edge of Livermore in Alameda County.

Sector D-Greenstone deposit located on Apperson Ridge east of Sunol Valley in Alameda County.

Sector E-Alluvial deposit consisting of five parcels in Sunol Valley in southern Alameda County.

Sector H-Elongated sandstone deposit located on the foothills of the Cities of Fremont and Union City.

Sector I-Elongated series of parcels consisting of a sandstone deposit along the foothills east of the Cities of Fremont and Milpitas.

Sector J-Alluvial deposit located near Mowry Landing on the southern edge of Fremont in ~~Alameda~~ Alameda County.

Sector K-Alluvial deposit located west of Highway 17 on the southern edge of Fremont in Alameda County.

Sector L-Alluvial deposit consisting of three parcels located between the Nimitz Freeway, Alameda Creek, the Coyote Hills, and Jarvis Avenue in the northwestern portion of the City of Fremont in Alameda County.

Sector M-Located at the southern end of the Coyote Hills on the west side of Fremont in Alameda County.

Sector N-Greenstone deposit in the foothills east of the City of Hayward in Alameda County.

Sector O-Consists of greenstone and rhyolite located in the Berkeley Hills west of Lake Chabot in Alameda County.

Sector P-Consists of rhyolite located north of the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in the Berkeley Hills.

Sector S-Mount Zion and a smaller adjacent hill in central Contra Costa County.

Sector T-Consists of basalt and andesite located at the south end of Gudde Ridge in the City of Moraga in southwestern Contra Costa County.

Sector U-Consists of basalt and andesite located on a small ridge southwest of the City of Orinda in Contra Costa County.

Sector V-Consists of basalt and andesite located on a small ridge southwest of the city of Orinda in Costa Contra County.

Sector W-Sandstone and shale deposit consisting of three parcels located on the west side of the City of Richmond in Contra Costa County.

Sector X-The Guadalupe Quarry property on the north side of Mount San Bruno adjacent to the City of Brisbane in San Mateo County.

Sector Y-Limestone and greenstone deposits located west of Pacifica near Rockway Beach in northern San Mateo County.

Sector Z-Greenstone deposit located in the Los Altos Hills in northwestern Santa Clara County.

Sector BB-Limestone deposit located west of the City of Cupertino on upper Permanente Creek in Santa Clara County.

Sector CC-Greenstone deposit located northwest of Stevens Creek Reservoir on the western edge of the City of Cupertino in Santa Clara County.

Sector DD-Conglomerate deposit located northwest of Stevens Creek Reservoir west of the City of Cupertino in Santa Clara County.

Sector EE-Located immediately northwest of the intersection of Capitol Expressway and Monterey Road (highway 82) on the City of San Jose in Santa Clara County.

Sector GG-Sandstone deposit located approximately four miles south of Brentwood in eastern Contra Costa County.

Sector HH-Granitic rock deposit located northwest of the City of Half Moon Bay in western San Mateo County.

Sector II-Sandstone and siltstone deposit located in Limekiln Canyon east of Lexington Reservoir in southwestern Santa Clara County.

Sector LL-Sandstone deposit located in the foothills east of the City of Fremont in Alameda County.

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\*Copies of the maps incorporated by this section accompanied the text which was filed with Secretary of State on 12-3-86.

Authority cited: Section 2790, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2726, 2761-2763 and 2790-2792, Public Resources Code.

**§ 3550.14. Construction Aggregate Resources, Stockton-Lodi Production-Construction Region.**

The designated resource areas, and resource areas being terminated, is shown on Plate 1, Updated Mineral Land Classification Map for Portland Cement Concrete-Grade Aggregate in the Stockton-Lodi Production Consumption (P-C) Region, San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties, California (2015), and is incorporated by reference into this regulation. This map is available from the State Mining and Geology Board's office in Sacramento.

The construction aggregate deposits in the following areas are designated as being of regional significance:

Sector A-Aggregate deposits on the alluvial fan created by Corral Hollow Creek, situated south of the City of Tracy.

Sector B-Aggregate deposit on the alluvial fan created by Lone Tree Creek. Deposit extends from just west of Interstate 580 near the base of the Coast Range hills northwest to the alignment of Interstate 5.

Sector C-Aggregate deposit that consists of the alluvial fan formed by Hospital Creek. Deposit extends from west of Interstate 580 within the foothills of the Coast Range and east into the San Joaquin Valley.

Sector D-Sand deposit centered on the San Joaquin River near the intersection of Highway 120 and Interstate 5 west of the City of Manteca.

Candidate Sector E (Subsectors E-1 through E-10) - This Sector is located southwest of the town of Vernalis, to the west of Welty ~~road~~ Road and east of Interstate 580. It is adjacent to Sector B on the northwest and Sector C to the south. A portion of Subsector E-10 extends into Stanislaus County.

Candidate Sector F (Subsectors F-1 through F-10) - This Sector is located west of the town of Vernalis and is traversed by Bird Road, Highway 132 and Interstate 580. It is adjacent to Sector B on the east. Subsectors F-1 through F-10 total 927 acres and cover an area west of the Lone Tree Creek Alluvial Fan.

Candidate Sectors G (Subsectors G-1 and G-2) - This Sector is located southwest of the City of Lathrop and is southeast of Interstate 205/5 and northeast of Paradise Cut. It is adjacent to Sector D to the northeast.

All or parts of eight Sectors are identified for termination of designation status because of depletion due to mining or development of incompatible land uses. These areas are indicated on the accompanying Plate, and as follows:

Sector A-1: There are twelve subsectors totaling 462 acres that have been depleted by mining (A-1b, A-1c, A-1d, A-1f, A-1h, A-1i, A-1j, A-1k, A-1n, A-1o, A-1p and A-1q).

Sector A-2: There are seventeen subsectors totaling 1,424 acres that have been depleted partially or completely by mining or now have land uses incompatible with mining. Subsectors A-2a, A-2b, A-2c, A-2h, and A-2i covering 677 acres containing 132,579,000 tons of PCC-grade aggregate resources have been lost to urbanization. Subsectors A-2i, A-2n, A-2p, A-2q, A-2r, A-2s, A-2t, A-2u, A-2v, A-2w, A-2y, and A-2z covering 747 acres have been depleted by mining.

Sector A-3: There are three subsectors totaling 140 acres that have been depleted by mining (A-3a, A-3b, and A-3c).

Sector A-4: There are two subsectors totaling 55 acres that have been depleted by mining (A-4a and A-4b).

Sector D-9: 197 acres of Sector D-9 have been depleted by mining.

Sector D-10: 9 acres of Sector D-10 have been depleted by mining.

Sector D-11: 51 acres of Sector D-11 have been depleted by mining.

Sector D-12: 10 acres of Sector D-12 have been depleted by mining.

Authority cited: Sections 2790 and 2793, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2761, 2762, 2763, 2790, 2791 and 2792, Public Resources Code.

#### **§ 3550.16. Construction Aggregates Resources, Bakersfield Production-Consumption Region.**

The areas for designation are shown on two plates: Plate 1, Candidate Areas for Designation in the Bakersfield Production-Consumption (P-C) Region, Kern County California, Northern Area (2009), and Plate 2, Candidate Areas for Designation in the Bakersfield Production-Consumption (P-C) Region, Kern County California, Southern Area (2009), and are incorporated by reference into this regulation. These maps are available from the State Mining and Geology Board's office in Sacramento.

The construction aggregate deposits in the following area are designated as being of regional significance:

Candidate Sector A - Deposits of the James Road Resource Area, five miles north of Bakersfield and southwest of the intersection of James Road and State Highway 65, are in a small alluvial fan composed of reworked sediments derived from older alluvial fan deposits and the Kern River Formation. (Plate 1)

Candidate Sector A (247 acres) is in Sections 28 and 29, T28S, R27E, MDBM, five miles north of Bakersfield, west of State Route 65 and southwest of the intersection of James Road and State Route 65.

Candidate Sector Group B - Deposits of the Kern River floodplain and alluvial fan, north of State Route 58 (Rosedale Highway) and west of Highway 99. Sector B is divided into five subsectors identified as B-1 through B-5. The combined area of the subsectors of Sector B is 231 acres. (Plate 1)

Candidate Sector B-1 (108 acres) is in Sections 14 and 15, T29S, R27E, MDBM, northwest of Bakersfield, north of State Route 58 and west of Highway 99.

Candidate Sector B-2 (70 acres) is in Section 15, T29S, R27E, MDBM, west of Highway 99 and north of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector B-3 (24 acres) is in Section 22, T29S, R27E, MDBM, west of Highway 99 and north of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector B-4 (14 acres) is in Section 22, T29S, R27E, MDBM, west of Highway 99 and north of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector B-5 (15 acres) is in Section 22, T29S, R27E, MDBM, west of Highway 99 and north of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector Group C - Deposits of the Kern River floodplain along the main course of the Kern River from Coffee Road east to Rio Bravo Ranch. Sector C is divided into 21 subsectors identified as C-1 through C-21. The combined area of Group C subsectors is 1,418 acres. (Plate 1)

Candidate Sector C-1 (20 acres) is in Section 33, T29S, R27E, MDBM, north of Kern River, west of Highway 99 and south of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector C-2 (149 acres) is in Sections 27, 33 and 34, T29S, R27E, MDBM, west of Highway 99 and south of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector C-3 (8 acres) is in Section 27, T29S, R27E, MDBM, west of Highway 99 and south of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector C-4 (51 acre) is in Sections 26 and 27, T29S, R27E, MDBM, west of Highway 99 and south of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector C-5 (36 acres) is in Sections 23, 24 and 26, T29S, R27E, MDBM, east of Highway 99 and west of State Route 204.

Candidate Sector C-6 (18 acres) is in Section 24, T29S, R27E, MDBM, east of Highway 99 and west of State Route 204.

Candidate Sector C-7 (14 acres) is in Sections 13 and 24, T29S, R27E, MDBM, east of State Route 204 and west of Chester Ave.

Candidate Sector C-8 (46 acres) is in Section 13, T29S, R27E, MDBM, and Section 18, T29S, R28E, MDBM, east of State Route 204 and west of Chester Ave.

Candidate Sector C-9 (85 acres) is in Section 18, T29S, R28E, MDBM, east of Chester Avenue and west of Manor St.



Candidate Sector C-10 (15 acres) is in Section 18, T29S, R28E MDBM, east of Chester Avenue and west of Manor St.

Candidate Sector C-11 (124 acres) is in Sections 8, 17 and 18, T29S, R28E, MDBM, east of Manor St.

Candidate Sector C-12 (104 acres) is in Sections 7 and 8, T29S, R28E, MDBM, north of Kern River and East of Manor St.

Candidate Sector C-13 (26 acres) is in Section 8, T29S, R28E, MDBM, north of Kern River, east of Manor Street.

Candidate Sector C-14 (163 acres) is in Sections 8, 9, 16 and 17, T29S, R28E, MDBM. Kern River, east of Manor St.

Candidate Sector C-15 (32 acres) is in Section 9, T29S, R28E, MDBM. Kern River, east of Manor St.

Candidate Sector C-16 (12 acres) is in Section 9, T29S, R28E, MDBM. Kern River, west of China Grade Bridge.

Candidate Sector C-17 (101 acres) is in Section 10, T29S, R28E, MDBM, south of Kern River and north of Alfred Harrell Highway.

Candidate Sector C-18 (70 acres) is in Sections 2, 3 and 10, T29S, R28E, MDBM. Kern River, south of Round Mountain Rd.

Candidate Sector C-19 (80 acres) is in Section 36, T28S, R28E, MDBM, Section 31, T28S, R29E, MDBM, and Section 6, T29S, R29E MDBM, northeast of Kern River and east of Hart Memorial Park.

Candidate Sector C-20 (11 acres) is in Section 5, T29S, R29E, MDBM, south of Kern River and north of Alfred Harrell Highway.

Candidate Sector C-21 (253 acres) is in Sections 33 and 34, T28S, R29E, MDBM, and Sections 2, 3, 10 and 11, T29S, R29E, MDBM, north of Kern River and east of Kern River Golf Course.

Candidate Sector Group D - Deposits of the floodplain and alluvial fan of Cottonwood Creek, ten miles east of Bakersfield, south of State Highway 178. Sector D is divided into four subsectors identified as D-1 through D-4. The combined area of the subsectors is 356 acres. (Plate 1)

Candidate Sector D-1 (105 acres) is in Sections 19 and 20, T29S, R30E, MDBM. Cottonwood Creek, south of Breckenridge Road.

Candidate Sector D-2 (19 acres) is in Section 24, T29S, R29E, MDBM. Cottonwood Creek, south of Breckenridge Road.

Candidate Sector D-3 (101 acres) is in Sections 12, 13 and 24, T29S, R29E, MDBM. Cottonwood Creek, south of State Route 178.

Candidate Sector D-4 (131 acres) is in Sections 1, 11 and 12, T29S, R29E, MDBM. Cottonwood Creek, south of State Route 178 and north of Breckenridge Road.

Candidate Sector Group E - Deposits of the floodplain of Caliente Creek, 15 to 20 miles east of Bakersfield, north of State Highway 58. Sector E is divided into 10 subsectors identified as E-1 through E-10. The combined area of the subsectors is 2,685 acres. (Plate 1)

Candidate Sector E-1 (572 acres) is in Sections 17, 18, 19 and 20, T30S, R30E, MDBM. Caliente Creek, south of State Route 58.

Candidate Sector E-2 (1,330 acres) is in Sections 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20 and 21, T30S, R30E, MDBM (Rancho El Tejon). Caliente Creek, north of State Route 58.

Candidate Sectors E-3 (357 acres) is in Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, T30S, R30E, MDBM (Rancho El Tejon). Caliente Creek, north of Bena Road.

Candidate Sector E-4 (171 acres) is in Sections 13 and 24, T30S, R30E, MDBM, and Sections 18, 19 and 20, T30S, R31E, MDBM (Rancho El Tejon). Caliente Creek, north of Bena Road.

Candidate Sector E-5 (18 acres) is in Sections 13, T30S, R30E, MDBM, and Section 18 T30S, R31E, MDBM (Rancho El Tejon). Caliente Creek, north of Bena Road.

Candidate Sector E-6 (8 acres) is in Section 19, T30S, R31E, MDBM (Rancho El Tejon). Caliente Creek, south of Bena Road.

Candidate Sector E-7 (11 acres) is in Section 27, T30S, R31E, MDBM. Caliente Creek, west of Caliente.

Candidate Sector E-8 (45 acres) is in Section 27, T30S, R31E, MDBM. Caliente Creek, west of Caliente.

Candidate Sector E-9 (24 acres) is in Section 26, T30S, R31E, MDBM. Caliente Creek, south of Caliente.

Candidate Sector E-10 (149 acres) is in Sections 24, 25 and 26, T30S, R31E, MDBM, and Section 19, T30S, R32E, MDBM. Caliente Creek, east of Caliente.

Candidate Sector Group F - Deposits of the alluvial fan of San Emigdio Creek, 25 miles southwest of Bakersfield, north and south of State Highway 166. Sector F is divided into eleven subsectors identified as F-1 through F-11. The combined area of the subsectors is 11,271 acres. (Plate 2)

Candidate Sector F-1 (289 acres) is in Sections 34, 35, and 36, T12N, R22W, MDBM, and Sections 1, 2 and 3, T11N, R22W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, north of the California Aqueduct.

Candidate Sector F-2 (44 acres) is in Section 36, T12N, R22W, SBBM, Section 6, T11N, R21W, SBBM, and Section 1 T11N, R22W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, north of the California Aqueduct.

Candidate Sector F-3 (782 acres) is in Sections 1, 2 and 3, T11N, R22W, SBBM, and Sections 5 and 6, T11N, R21W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of the California Aqueduct and north of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-4 (142 acres) is in Section 1 T11N, R22W, SBBM, and Sections 5 and 6, T11N, R21W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of the California Aqueduct and north of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-5 (1,468 acres) is in Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, and 12, T11N, R22W, SBBM, and Sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, T11N, R21W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek south of the California Aqueduct and north of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-6 (347 acres) is in Sections 10, 11 and 12, T11N, R22W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-7 (183 acres) is in Sections 7 and 8, T11N, R21W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-8 (2,254 acres) is in Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, T11N, R22W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-9 (1,566 acres) is in Sections 7, 8, 17 and 18, T11N, R21W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-10 (3,356 acres) is in Sections 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 35 and 36, T11N, R22W, SBBM, Sections 30 and 31, T11N, R21W, and Sections 1 and 2, T10N, R22W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector F-11 (840 acres) is in Sections 19, 20, 29 and 30, T11N, R21W, SBBM. San Emigdio Creek, south of State Route 166.

Candidate Sector G - Deposits of Wheeler Ridge, 25 miles south of Bakersfield, west of Interstate Highway 5, and south of State Highway 166. The deposits are in an uplifted ridge of Pleistocene sand and gravel of the Tulare Formation. The area of Sector G is 882 acres. (Plate 2)

Candidate Sector G (882 acres) is in Sections 25, 35, and 36, T11N, R20W, SBBM and Sections 30 and 31, T11N, R19W, SBBM, at Wheeler Ridge, west of Highways I-5 and 99.

Candidate Sector Group H - Deposits of the alluvial fan of Pastoria Creek, 30 miles southeast of Bakersfield, and north of Edmonston Pumping Plant Road. Sector H is divided into five subsectors identified as H-1 through H-5. The combined area of the subsectors is 467 acres. (Plate 2)

Candidate Sector H-1 (35 acres) is in Sections 18 and 19, T10N, R18W, SBBM, (projected - in Rancho El Tejon). Pastoria Creek, south of the California Aqueduct and Edmonston Pumping Plant Road.

Candidate Sector H-2 (48 acres) is in Section 19, T10N, R18W, SBBM, (projected - in Rancho El Tejon). Pastoria Creek, south of the California Aqueduct and Edmonston Pumping Plant Road.

Candidate Sector H-3 (47 acres) is in Sections 18 and 19, T10N, R18W, SBBM, (projected - in Rancho El Tejon). Pastoria Creek, south of the California Aqueduct and Edmonston Pumping Plant Road.

Candidate Sector H-4 (108 acres) is in Sections 12 and 13, T10N, R19W, SBBM, and Section 18 T10N, R18W, SBBM, (projected - Rancho El Tejon). Pastoria Creek, north of the California Aqueduct and Edmonston Pumping Plant Road.

Candidate Sector H-5 (409 acres) is in Sections 12 and 13, T10N, R19W, SBBM, and Sections 7 and 18, T10N, R18W, SBBM (projected - in Rancho El Tejon). Pastoria Creek, north of the California Aqueduct and Edmonston Pumping Plant Road.

Candidate Sector I - Deposits of the alluvial fan of El Paso Creek, 25 miles southeast of Bakersfield, east of Rancho Road and south of Sebastian Road. The area of Sector I is 2,151 acres. (Plate 2)

Candidate Sector I (2,151 acres) is in Sections 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 28, 29 and 30, T11N, R18W, SBBM. El Paso Creek east of Rancho Drive and south of Sebastian Road.

Candidate Sector Group J - Deposits of the floodplain of Cuddy Creek located 40 miles south of Bakersfield, along Frazier Mountain Park Road, two miles west of Interstate Highway 5. Sector J is divided into two subsectors identified as J-1 and J-2. The combined area of the subsectors is 180 acres. (Plate 2)

Candidate Sector J-1 (35 acres) is in Sections 31 and 32, T9N, R19W, SBBM. Cuddy Creek, east of Frazier Park, south of Frazier Mountain Park Road.

Candidate Sector J-2 (145 acres) is in Sections 32 and 33, T9N, R19W, SBBM. Cuddy Creek, east of Frazier Park, south of Frazier Mountain Park Road.

Candidate Sector K - Basement outcrops and the alluvial fan and floodplain of Little Sycamore Creek (La Liebre Ranch area), 40 miles southeast of Bakersfield, east of Interstate Highway 5 and north of State Highway 138. The area of Sector K is 125 acres. (Plate 2)

Candidate Sector K (125 acres) is in Sections 29 and 32, T9N, R17W, SBBM, (projected - in Rancho La Liebre), Little Sycamore Canyon.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2790, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2207, 2726, 2761-2763 and 2790-2791, Public Resources Code.

**§ 3550.17. Construction Aggregate Resources, San Luis Obispo - Santa Barbara Production-Consumption Region.**

The areas for designation are shown on four Plates: Plate 1, Designation in the San Luis Obispo-Santa Barbara Production-Consumption (P-C) Region, California - Northern Part (2015); Plate 2, Designation in the San Luis Obispo-Santa Barbara Production-Consumption Region, California - Middle Part (2015); Plate 3, Designation in the San Luis Obispo-Santa Barbara Production-Consumption Region, California - Southern Part (2015); and Plate 4, Designation in the San Luis Obispo-Santa Barbara Production-Consumption Region, California - Cuyama Valley (2015). These Plates are incorporated by reference into this regulation. These maps are available from the State Mining and Geology Board's office in Sacramento.

The construction aggregate deposits in the following areas are designated as being of regional significance:

Sector A - Deposits of the Salinas River Resource Area: Deposits in the recent river channel and adjacent floodplain along about fourteen miles of the Salinas River, from the southeastern city limits of Atascadero north (downstream) to the Niblick Road Bridge in the city of Paso Robles. Sector A has been subdivided into five subsectors identified as A-1a, A-1b, A-2a, A-2b, and A-3 (Plate 1). Portions of this Sector are under the land use jurisdiction of the County of San Luis Obispo, City of Paso Robles, and City of Atascadero.

Subsector A-1a: Section 4, T27S, R12E, MDBM, (projected), and in the flood plain of the Salinas River east of US Highway 101, south of Niblick Road, and north of an unnamed pipeline.

Subsector A-1b: Sections 4, 9, 16, 20, 21, 28, 29, and 32, T27S, R12E, MDBM, (projected), and in the flood plain of the Salinas River east of US Highway 101, south of an unnamed pipeline, and north of Templeton Road.

Subsector A-2a: Sections 32, 33, T27S, R12E; 3, 4, 5, and 10, T28S, R12E, MDBM, (projected), and in the flood plain of the Salinas River east of US Highway 101, south of Templeton Road, and north of State Highway 41.

Subsector A-2b: Sections 10, 11, 14, and 15, T28S, R12E, MDBM, (projected), and in the flood plain of the Salinas River east of US Highway 101 and Sycamore Road, south of State Highway 41, west of Templeton Road, and north of unnamed pipelines.

Subsector A-3: Sections 13, 14, 23, 24, and 25, T28S, R12E, MDBM, (projected), and in the flood plain of the Salinas River east of US Highway 101, south of unnamed pipelines, and west of Rocky Canyon Road.

Sector B - Deposits of the Navajo Creek Resource Area: Deposits of the active channel and floodplain of Navajo Creek, from one-and-a-half miles upstream of the Highway 58 crossing to about three miles upstream of the crossing (Plate 1). This Sector is under the land use jurisdiction of the County of San Luis Obispo.

Sector B: Sections 15 and 16, T29S, R16E, MDBM, and is in the flood plain of Navajo Creek south of State Highway 58, and east of USFS Road 29S15.

Sector C - Deposits of the La Panza Granitics Resource Area: The La Panza Granitics outcrop southeast of the City of Atascadero. Sector C is divided into four subsectors identified as C-1a, C-1b, C-2, and C-3 (Plate 1). This Sector is under the land use jurisdiction of the County of San Luis Obispo.

Subsector C-1a: Sections 19, 20, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, T28S, R13E; 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, and 11, T29S, R13E, MDBM, and is in the La Panza Granitics south of State Highway 41, east of the Salinas River, north of State Highway 58, and west of State Highway 229.

Subsector C-1b: Sections 35, 36, T28S, R13E; 1, 2, and 11, T29S, R13E, MDBM, and is in the La Panza Granitics north of State Highway 58, and east of State Highway 229.

Subsector C-2: Sections 1, 2, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, T29S, R13E; 7, 8, 17, 18 and 19, T29S, R14E, MDBM, and is in the La Panza Granitics south of State Highway 58, north and east of Parkhill Road.

Subsector C-3: Sections 10, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 35, 36, T29S, R13E; 18, and 19, T29S, R14E, MDBM, and is in the La Panza Granitics east of West Pozo Road, south of State Highway 58 and Parkhill Road, and north of Las Pilitas Road.

Sector D - Deposits of the Santa Maria River Resource Area: Alluvial deposits of the active river channel and adjacent floodplain of the Santa Maria River. This Sector includes land in both San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties and is divided into 41 subsectors identified as D-1 through D-11, and D-13 through D-37 (Plate 2). Portions of this Sector are under the land use jurisdiction of the County of San Luis Obispo, County of Santa Barbara, and City of Santa Maria.

Subsector D-1: Sections 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, T11N, R35W; and 30, T11N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of Nipomo Mesa, north of Division Street and Oso Flaco Lake Road, east of State Highway 1 (Guadalupe Road), and west of US Highway 101.

Subsector D-2: Sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, T11N, R34W; 25, and 36, T11N, R35W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of Nipomo Mesa, Division Street and Riverside Road; east of Bonita School Road; north of the Santa Maria River flood control channel; and west of US Highway 101.

Subsector D-3: Sections 26, 27, 34, and 35, T11N, R35W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of Oso Flaco Lake Road, north of Division Street, and east of State Highway 1 (Guadalupe Road).

Subsector D-4: Sections 25, 26, 34, 35, and 36, T11N, R35W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of Division Street, west of Bonita School Road, north of the Santa Maria River flood control channel, and east of State Highway 1 (Guadalupe Road).

Sector D-5: Sections 35, 36, T11N, R35W; 1, and 2, T10N, R35W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood control channel of the Santa Maria River south of Division Street, west of Bonita School Road, north of State Highway (West Main Street), and east of State Highway 1 (Guadalupe Road).

Subsector D-6: Sections 36, T11N, R35W; 1, T10N, R35W; 31, 32, 33, T11N, R34W; and 6, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood control channel of the Santa Maria River south of Division Street, east of Bonita School Road, north of State Highway 166 (West Main Street), and west of an unnamed utility corridor and US Highway 101.

Subsector D-7: Sections 32, 33, and 34, T11N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood control channel of the Santa Maria River south of Nippon Mesa, east of an unnamed utility corridor, west of US Highway 101, and north of Atlantic Place and the City of Santa Maria.

Subsector D-8: Sections 34 and 35, T11N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood control channel of the Santa Maria River east of an unnamed utility corridor, west of US Highway 101, and north of Atlantic Place and the City of Santa Maria.

Sector D-9: Sections 1 and 2, T10N, R35W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of the Santa Maria River flood control channel, west of Bonita School Road, and north of State Highway 166 (West Main Street).

Subsector D-10: Sections 1, T10N, R35W; 31, 32, T11N, R34W; 5, 6, and 7, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of the Santa Maria River flood control channel, east of Bonita School Road, north of State Highway 166 (West Main Street), and west of an unnamed utility corridor.

Subsector D-11: Sections 32, 33, T11N, R34W; 4, and 5, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of the Santa Maria River flood control channel, east of an unnamed utility corridor, north of West Donovan Road, and west of North Blosser Road and the City of Santa Maria.

NOTE: There is no Subsector D-12

Subsector D-13a: Sections 35, T11N, R34W; 1, and 2, T10N, R34E, SBBM, and is in the flood control channel of the Santa Maria River east of US Highway 101, north of Seaward Drive, and west of Bull Canyon Road.

Subsector D-13b: Sections 1, 12, T10N, R34E; 6, 7, 8, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 35, and 36, T10N, R33W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood control channel of the Santa Maria River east of Bull Canyon Road, north and east of East Main Street and Foxen Canyon Road, and north of the Santa Maria Mesa Road river crossing.

Subsector D-14: Sections 35, T11N, R34W; and 2, T10N, R34E, SBBM, and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of the flood control channel, east of US Highway 101, and west of Mariah Drive.

Subsector D-15: Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River north of State Highway 166, east of Bonita Lateral Road, and west of the City of Santa Maria.

Subsector D-16: Sections 8 and 9, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River north of State Highway 166, south of West Donovan Road, and west of North Blosser Road and the City of Santa Maria.

Subsector D-17: Section 9, T10N, R34W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River north of State Highway 166, south of West Donovan Road, and west of North Blosser Road and the City of Santa Maria.

Subsector D-18: Sections 12, T10N, R34W; and 7, T10N, R33W, SBBM, (projected), and is on the Santa Maria River plain south of the Santa Maria River channel, east of Panther Drive, and north of East Main Street.

Subsector D-19: Sections 7 and 18, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of State Highway 166, east of Ray Road, and west of Black Road.

Subsector D-20a: Sections 8, 16, and 17, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of State Highway 166, north of West Stowell Road, west of Hanson Way, and east of Black Road.

Subsector D-20b: Section 16, T10N, R34W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of State Highway 166, north of West Stowell Road, west of North Blosser Road, and east of Hansen Way.

Subsector D-21: Sections 13, T10N, R34W; 17, and 18, T10N, R33W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River north of East Jones Street, south of East Main Street, and east of US Highway 101 and Suey Road.

Subsector D-22: Section 18, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of State Highway 166, east of Ray Road, and west of Black Road.

Subsector D-23: Section 13, T10N, R34W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of East Jones Street, north of East Stowell Road, east of US Highway 101, and west of Rosemary Road.

Subsector D-24a: Section 17 and 18, T10N, R33W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of East Jones Street, north of East Stowell Road, east of Rosemary Road, and west of Philbric Road.

Subsector D-24b: Sections 16, 17, 20, and 21, T10N, R33W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River east of Philbric Road, west of Andrew Avenue, and north of Foxen Canyon Road.



Subsector D-25: Sections 16, 17, and 21, T10N, R33W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River east of Philbric Road, west of Andrew Avenue, and south of Sugar Street.

Subsector D-26: Section 20, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of West Stowell Road, and east of Black Road.

Subsector D-27: Sections 20 and 21, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of West Stowell Road, and east of South East Street.

Subsector D-28a: Sections 20 and 21, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of West Stowell Road, east of Black Road, and west of A Street.

Subsector D-28b: Section 21, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of West Stowell Road, north of Battles Street, and west of South Blosser Road.

Subsector D-29: Section 22, T10N, R34W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of West Stowell Road, north of Battles Street, east of South Blosser Road, and west of South Depot Street.

Subsector D-30a: Section 23, T10N, R34W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of East Battles Road, north of East Betteravia Road, west of South College Drive, and east of Newlove Drive.

Subsector D-30b: Section 23, T10N, R34W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of East Battles Road, north of East Betteravia Road, east of South College Drive, and west of US Highway 101.

Subsector D-31: Section 24, T10N, R34W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of East Stowell Road, north of East Battles Road, east of US Highway 101, and west of Rosemary Road.

Subsector D-32: Sections 19 and 20, T10N, R33W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of East Stowell Road, north of East Betteravia Road, east of Rosemary Road and US Highway 101, and west of Philbric Road.

Subsector D-33: Section 24, T10N, R34W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of East Battles Road, north of East Betteravia Road, east of US Highway 101, and west of Rosemary Road.

Subsector D-34: Sections 28 and 29, T10N, R33W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of Foxen Canyon Road, and east of Telephone Road.

Subsector D-35: Section 28, T10N, R33W, SBBM, and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Maria River south and west of Foxen Canyon Road.

Subsector D-36: Sections 16, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, and 35, T10N, R33W, SBBM (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River east of Andrew Avenue, north and east of Foxen Canyon Road.

Subsector D-37: Sections 34, and 35, T10N, R33W, SBBM, and is in the flood plain of the Santa Maria River south of Foxen Canyon Road.

Sector E - Deposits of the Sisquoc River Resource Area: Alluvial deposits of the active river channel and adjacent floodplain of the Sisquoc River. The Sector extends along the river from about seven miles east of the community of Sisquoc, downstream to the confluence with the Cuyama River. Sector E is divided into five subsectors identified as E-1 through E-4 (with subsector E-3 split into "a" and "b;" See Plate 2). This Sector is under the land use jurisdiction of the County of Santa Barbara.

Subsector E-1: Sections 1, 2, 12, T9N, R33W; 7, 8, and 17, T9N, R32W, SBBM, and is in the flood plain of the Sisquoc River north of Foxen Canyon Road, south of Santa Maria Mesa Road, and west of Tepusquet Road.

Subsector E-2: Section 18, T9N, R32W, SBBM, and is in the flood plain of the Sisquoc River south of Foxen Canyon Road, and east of the community of Sisquoc.

Subsector E-3a: Sections 16 and 17, T9N, R32W, SBBM, and is in the flood plain of the Sisquoc River north of Foxen Canyon Road, south of Santa Maria Mesa Road, and west of Tepusquet Road.

Subsector E-3b: Sections 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, and 23, T9N, R32W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Sisquoc River east of Tepusquet Road, north of Foxen Canyon Road and USFS Route 10N06/Rancho Sisquoc Road.

Subsector E-4: Sections 13, 14, 23, 24, T9N, R32W; 19, 20, 29, and 30, T9N, R31W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Sisquoc River in Rancho Sisquoc, east of Tepusquet Road, north of Foxen Canyon Road, and east of USFS Route 10N06.

Sector F - Deposits of Santa Ynez River Resource Area: Alluvial deposits of the active river channel and adjacent floodplain of the Santa Ynez River. The Sector extends from just downstream of Cachuma Dam to about eight miles west (downstream) of the Highway 101 Bridge. Sector F is divided into seven subsectors identified as F-1 through F-7 (Plate 3). Portions of this Sector are under the land use jurisdiction of the County of Santa Barbara, City of Buellton, and City of Solvang.

Subsector F-1: Sections 12, 13, T6N, R33W; 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13, T6N, R32W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Ynez River west of US Highway 101 and Avenue of the Flags, north of Santa Rosa Road, and south of State Highway 246 and Mail Road.

Subsector F-2: Sections 12, T6N, R32W; 7, and 18, T6N, R31W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Ynez River west of US Highway 101, east of Avenue of the Flags, and north of Santa Rosa Road.

Subsector F-3: Sections 7, 16, 17, 18, 20, and 21, T6N, R31W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Ynez River east of US Highway 101, south of State Highway 246/Mission Avenue, and west of Alisal Road.

Subsector F-4: Sections 7, 8, 17, and 18, T6N, R31W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the ancestral flood plain of the Santa Ynez River east of US Highway 101 and Ballard Canyon Road, and north of State Highway 246/Mission Avenue.

Subsector F-5: Sections 21, 22, 23, and 24, T6N, R31W, SBBM, and is in the flood plain of the Santa Ynez River east of Alisal Road, north of Three Springs Road, south of Mesa Verde Road, and west of Refugio Road.

Subsector F-6: Sections 24, T6N, R31W; 19, 20, 21, 22, 29, and 30, T6N, R30W, SBBM (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Ynez River east of Refugio Road, north of Old Santa Rosa Road, and west of State Highway 154/San Marcos Pass Road.

Subsector F-7: Sections 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, and 24, T6N, R30W, SBBM, (projected), and is in the flood plain of the Santa Ynez River east and north of State Highway 154/San Marcos Pass Road, and west of Cachuma Reservoir Dam.

Sector G - Deposits of the Upper Cuyama River Resource Area: Alluvial deposits of the Cuyama River, in the Cuyama Valley from the Highway 166 bridge, south (upstream) to the Ventura County line - a distance of about 24 miles. Sector G is divided into four subsectors identified as G-1 through G-4 (Plate 4). This deposit is under the land use jurisdiction of San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties, but currently serves the western Kern County market. Portions of this Sector are under the land use jurisdiction of the County of San Luis Obispo and County of Santa Barbara.

Subsector G-1: Sections 19, 20, 28, 29, 30, 33, and 34, T10N, R25W, SBBM, and is in the flood Plain of the Cuyama River south of State Highway 166, west of State Highway 33, east of Kirschenmann Road, and north of Foothill Road.

Subsector G-2: Sections 2, 3, 11, and 12, T9N, R25W, SBBM, and is in the flood Plain of the Cuyama River south of Foothill Road, west of State Highway 33, and north of USFS Route 9N11/Big Pine Road.

Subsector G-3: Sections 12, 13, 24, T9N, R25W; 18, 19, 30, and 31, T9N, R24W, SBBM, and is in the flood Plain of the Cuyama River south of USFS Route 9N11/Big Pine Road, west of State Highway 33, and north of unnamed pipeline.

Subsector G-4: Sections 31, 32, T9N, R24W; 1, T8N, R25W; 6, 7, 8, 17, and 18, T8N, R24W, SBBM, and is in the flood ~~Plain~~ plain of the Cuyama River south of an unnamed pipeline, and west of State Highway 33 and the Ventura County Line.

Sector H - Deposits of the Bee Rock Resource Area: Limestone deposits on the south side of Bee Rock in the Santa Ynez Mountains approximately two miles south of Cachuma Dam (Plate 3). This Sector is under the land use jurisdiction of the County of Santa Barbara.

Sector H: Section 31, T6N, R29W, SBBM, (projected), and is the Bee Rock Limestone Deposit in the Santa Ynez Mountains south of State Highway 154/San Marcos Pass Road and Cachuma Reservoir Dam.

Sector I - Deposits of the Huerhuero Creek Resource Area: Alluvial deposits in the active channel of the Main Branch, Middle Branch and East Branch of Huerhuero Creek, from 1.1 mile north of the intersection of State Highway 58 and O'Donovan Road, north (downstream) to approximately 0.25 mile north of the Creston Road crossing over Huerhuero Creek three miles north of State Highway 4 - a linear distance (in two segments) of about 10 miles. Sector I is divided into 11 subsectors identified as I-1 through I-11 (Plate 1). From north to south, Sectors I-1 through I-8 are in the Main and Middle Branches of Huerhuero Creek. Sectors I-9 through I-11 are in the East Branch of Huerhuero Creek. This Sector is under the land use jurisdiction of the County of San Luis Obispo.

Subsector I-1: Sections 14 and 23, T27S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and is in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek north of Creston Road, and east of Geneseo Road.

Subsector I-2: Section 23, T27S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and is in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek south and west of Creston Road, and north of unnamed pipeline.

Subsector I-3: Sections 23 and 26, T27S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and is in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek west of Creston Road, south of unnamed pipeline, and north of another unnamed pipeline.

Subsector I-4: Sections 25, 26, and 36, T27S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and is in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek north of State Highway 41, west of Creston Road, and south of an unnamed pipeline.

Subsector I-5: Sections 36, T27S, R13E; and 1, T28S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and is in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek south of State Highway 41, east of State Highway 229/Webster Road, west of La Panza Road, and north of an unnamed pipeline.

Subsector I-6: Section 1, T28S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and is in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek south of unnamed pipeline, east of State Highway 229/Webster Road and the community of Creston, and north of O'Donovan Road.

Subsector I-7: Sections 1 and 12, T28S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and is in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek south of the community of Creston, east of State Highway 229/Webster Road, and north of Reeves Pheasant Way.

Subsector I-8: Sections 1 and 12, T28S, R13E, MDBM, (projected), and in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek south of Reeves Pheasant Way, and east of State Highway 229/Webster Road.

Subsector I-9: Section 7, T28S, R14E, MDBM, (projected), and in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek east of O'Donovan Road, and north of Lady Amherst Way.

Subsector I-10: Sections 18 and 19, T28S, R14E, MDBM, (projected), and in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek west of O'Donovan Road, and south of Lady Amherst Way.

Subsector I-11: Sections 19, 20, and 29, T28S, R14E, MDBM, (projected), and in the active channel of Huerhuero Creek east of O'Donovan Road.

Authority cited: Section 2790, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2761 and 2790, Public Resources Code.

#### **Article 4. Designation Appeal Procedures**

##### **§ 3631. Hearing Procedures -Notice.**

(a) At least 10 working days prior to the hearing, the Board shall give public notice as follows:

- (1) Mailing the notice to the lead agency, the appellant, and the project proponent (when not the same person as the appellant);
- (2) Mailing the notice to any person who requests notice of the ~~appel~~ appeal or hearing;
- (3) Mailing the notice to the Board's regular mailing list; and
- (4) Posting of the notice in a place where notices are customarily posted in the city or county jurisdiction within which the proposed surface mining operations are to take place.

(b) The notice of hearing shall include the following:

- (1) The name of the appellant;
- (2) Identification of the proposed surface mining operation, a brief description of the location of the operation by reference to any commonly known landmarks in the area, and a simple location map indicating the general location of the operation;
- (3) A statement that the appellant has appealed the lead agency's decision to approve or deny the project and has requested the Board hear the appeal;
- (4) A statement inviting the appellant, the lead agency, the project proponent (when not the same person as the appellant), and the public to make statements at the hearing regarding the decision of the lead agency; and
- (5) The time, date, and location of the public hearing.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2775, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2775, Public Resources Code.

## **Article 5. Reclamation Plan Appeals**

### **§ 3653. Technical Review for Adequacy of Reclamation Plan.**

(a) The Board may consult with the technical staff of the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation for determination of the adequacy of reclamation plans or plan amendments prepared for surface mining operations that are appealed to the Board. Preliminary determination of technical adequacy shall be based on, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(1) Substantial compliance with the requirements of PRC Sections 2772, 2772.1, and 2773;

(2) Substantial compliance with the requirements of Article 1 (commencing with Section 3500) and Article 9 (commencing with Section 3700) of this subchapter;

(3) Substantial compliance with the reclamation provisions of the lead agency's mining ordinance as certified by the Board pursuant to the provisions of PRC Section 2774; and

(4) Whether the proposed reclamation plan or plan amendment is technically feasible given the scope of the mining operations.

(b) The determination of whether substantial compliance with PRC Sections 2772, 2772.1, and 2773, Title 14 California Code of Regulations (CCR) Sections 3500 et seq. and Sections 3700 et seq., and the Board-certified lead agency surface mining and reclamation ordinance have been met shall be based on whether all elements of these provisions that are necessary to ensure viable, planned reclamation of a particular site are included and are technically feasible so as to satisfy the objectives of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 (SMARA). For example, a description of revegetation efforts might not be necessary for a pit to be used as a landfill, just as a description of final slope angles may not be necessary for a gravel bar skimming operation. In other sites, however, such information may be critical. In all cases, a site visit by the technical staff of the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation shall be made before substantial compliance is determined.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2755, 2759 and 2770, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2770(e) and 2774, Public Resources Code.

## **Article 8. Fees Schedule**

### **§ 3697. Fees Due and Delinquent.**

(a) The annual reporting fee and Mining Operation Annual Report (MRRC-2) are due and payable to the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation not later than July 1 for the prior reporting year, by the owner or operator of record on the preceding December 31. The initial reporting fee for a new mining operation, together with an initial report, are due and payable to the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division

of Mine Reclamation not later than thirty (30) days after permit approval. An owner or operator of a mining operation submitting an annual reporting fee or annual report after July 1, or more than thirty (30) days after permit approval, shall be assessed a penalty fee and interest as provided in Public Resources Code Section 2207(c) and (d)(5).

(b) Except as otherwise provided in (c), for the purposes of this article, mining operations are deemed to be discrete operations per each reclamation plan required.

(c) Multiple site mining operations are deemed to be those mining operations which meet all of the following criteria:

- (1) one or more mining operations are operated on one or more sites by a single operator or mining company;
- (2) the total annual combined mineral production for all sites is less than 100 troy ounces for precious metals, if precious metals are the primary mineral commodity produced, or less than 100,000 short tons if the primary mineral commodity product is not precious metals;
- (3) no sites are reporting fee assessments set forth in Section 3698, subsections (b), (d), or (e);
- (4) all of the operator or company's entire mining operations located in the State of California are tied to, or located on, the listed sites; and
- (d) In addition to the criteria provided in (c), multiple site mining operator's submittal of the annual report form (Mining Operation Annual Report, Form MRRC-2) shall be accompanied by a multiple site form (Multiple Site Single Fee Request, Form MRRC-4M) supplied by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2207, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2207, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3698. Fees Calculation.**

Annual reporting fees cited in sections 3698 and 3699 shall be adjusted for the cost of living as measured by the California Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, calendar year averages, using the percentage change in the previous year and annually thereafter.

(a) The annual reporting fee for a multiple site mining operation shall be four thousand dollars (\$4,000).

(b) The annual reporting fee for mining operations which are no longer in operation with no intent to resume, which had no mineral production in the reporting calendar year, and

(1) which did not complete reclamation during the reporting calendar year shall be \$100; or

(2) which completed reclamation during the reporting calendar year shall be \$100. Proof of completion of reclamation, approved by the lead agency, shall be submitted with this fee.

(c) Except as otherwise provided, the annual reporting fee for mining operations shall be calculated on the total primary mineral commodity produced in the reporting calendar year. A factor to determine the amount of fee adjustments from one reporting calendar year to the next shall be calculated according to the following formula:

$$[(\text{ATRY}) - (\text{ATPY})]/(\text{ATPY}) = \text{Factor}$$

Where: Adjusted Total (AT) equals the Amount Requested by the Director of the Department of Conservation, less a projected amount from fees set in CCR §3698(a)(b)(d)(e) and CCR §3699, and less a projected amount from mine operations subject to the maximum fee amount in Public Resources Code Section 2207;

Where: ATRY is the Adjusted Total for the current "Reporting Year"

Where: ATPY is the Adjusted Total for the "Prior Year"

The new Fee Amount for each category is determined by the following formula (calculated amounts cannot be less than \$100 or more than the maximum fee in Public Resources Code Section 2207, and may be rounded to the nearest \$1 (one dollar)):

Formula: Current Year Reporting Fee = Prior Year Reporting Fee times (1 + Factor)

(1) Mining operations where the primary mineral commodity produced is either aggregate products or industrial minerals shall be assessed an annual reporting fee as follows:

Tons	Fee in Dollars
0 – 100	Formula (not less than \$100)
>100 - 1,000	Formula
>1,000 - 10,000	Formula
>10,000 - 50,000	Formula
>50,000 - 100,000	Formula
>100,000	Maximum fee per Public Resources Code Section 2207

(2) Mining operations where the primary mineral commodity produced is gold, silver, or precious metals shall be assessed an annual reporting fee as follows:

Ounces	Fee in Dollars
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0 – 1	Formula (not less than \$100)
>1 – 10	Formula
>10 – 50	Formula
>50 – 150	Formula
>150 – 300	Formula
>300	Maximum fee per Public Resources Code Section 2207

(3) Mining operations where the primary mineral commodity produced is base metals or other metals shall be assessed an annual reporting fee as follows:

Pounds	Fee in Dollars
0 – 10	Formula (not less than \$100)
>10 – 100	Formula
>100 - 1,000	Formula
>1,000 - 10,000	Formula
>10,000 - 20,000	Formula
>20,000	Maximum fee per Public Resources Code Section 2207

(d) The initial reporting fee for mining operations shall be five hundred dollars (\$500).

(e) The annual reporting fee for newly permitted mining operations which have not yet begun operations and disturbed the land shall be one hundred dollars (\$100).

(f) In addition to the annual reporting fees, the board shall collect five dollars (\$5) per ounce of gold and ten cents (\$0.10) per ounce of silver based on the amount of product mined within the state during the reporting year.

Authority cited: Section 2207, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2207, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3699. Low Gross Exemptions.**

(a) For the reporting calendar year, a single operator or mining company may file with the Division of Mine Reclamation of the Department of Conservation, a written request for an exemption from the method of fee assessment set forth in Section 3698. Neither the State, nor any county, city, district or other political subdivision shall be eligible for an exemption under this Section. A request for an exemption must be filed on a form (Low Gross Exemption Fee Request, Form MRRC-4L) supplied by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation and postmarked or received by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation on or before July 1 following the reporting calendar year in order to be considered. The ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation shall grant the exemption if information submitted and

confirmed by the annual report form and approved reclamation plan, clearly demonstrates that the mining operation meets the following criteria:

(1) material is extracted from one mining operation, and lead agency approval of a reclamation plan and financial assurance has been obtained; and

(2) all of the single operator or mining company's mining operation located in the State of California is tied to, or located on, one site; and

(3) the amount of the single operator or mining company's gross income from the mining operation for the reporting calendar year was less than \$128,900, as adjusted for the cost of living as measured by the California Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, calendar year averages, using the percentage change in the previous year and annually thereafter, and proof of gross income is supplied in the form of a signed federal tax return or returns accompanied by a complete and signed Federal Internal Revenue Service Form 4506, or a report prepared and signed by a certified public accountant or an enrolled agent listed on the active roster maintained by the Federal Internal Revenue Service; and

(4) the single operator or mining company has submitted an annual reporting fee of five hundred fifteen dollars (\$515) as adjusted for the cost of living as measured by the California Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, calendar year averages, using the percentage change in the previous year, and annually thereafter.

(b) For any request postmarked or received on or before July 1 following the reporting calendar year the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation may afford the applicant one 30-day period in which to correct minor deficiencies in the application.

(c) If the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation determines that an exemption is not warranted, the single operator or mining company may appeal that determination to the Board for any request postmarked or received by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation on or before July 1 following the reporting calendar year. The appeal must be submitted in writing within fifteen (15) days of the denial of exemption notification by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation. The Chairperson of the Board or their designee (Board Member), shall determine whether the Board has jurisdiction for the purposes of an appeal. In order for the Board to have jurisdiction the appeal must:

(1) Demonstrate the exemption request was complete and filed and postmarked or received by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation on or before July 1 following the reporting calendar year;

(2) Specifically relate to the exemption criteria outlined in this Section; and

(3) Specify the appellant's arguments for granting the exemption.

(d) If the appeal is within the Board's jurisdiction, the Board, based on all the evidence in the record, may affirm the ~~Department of Conservation's~~ Division of Mine

Reclamation's decision or grant the exemption. If the single operator or mining company does not appeal, the appeal is not within the Board's jurisdiction, or the Board affirms the ~~Department of Conservation's~~ Division of Mine Reclamation's decision, the single operator or mining company shall submit an annual reporting fee calculated upon the total mineral commodity produced pursuant to Section 3698. Such fee shall be submitted within thirty (30) days of notification by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation or the Board. A single operator or mining company who fails to submit the full annual reporting fee within thirty (30) days after notification shall be assessed a penalty and interest as provided in Public Resources Code Section 2207(d)(5).

Authority cited: Section 2207, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2207, Public Resources Code.

## **Article 9. Reclamation Standards**

### **§ 3710. Performance Standards for Stream Protection, Including Surface and Groundwater.**

(a) Surface and groundwater shall be protected from siltation and pollutants which may diminish water quality as required by the Federal Clean Water Act, sections 301 et seq. (33 U.S.C. section 1311), 404 et seq. (33 U.S.C. section 1344), the Porter-Cologne Act, section 13000 et seq., County anti-siltation ordinances, the Regional Water Quality Control Board or the State Water Resources Control Board.

(b) In-stream surface mining operations shall be conducted in compliance with Section 16000 et seq. of the California Fish and Game Code, section 404 of the Clean Water Act, and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403).

(c) Extraction of sand and gravel from river channels shall be regulated to control channel ~~degradation~~ degradation in order to prevent undermining of bridge supports, exposure of pipelines or other structures buried within the channel, loss of spawning habitat, lowering of ground water levels, destruction of riparian vegetation, and increased stream bank erosion (exceptions may be specified in the approved reclamation plan). Changes in channel elevations and bank erosion shall be evaluated annually using records of annual extraction quantities and benchmarked annual cross sections and/or sequential aerial photographs to determine appropriate extraction locations and rates.

(d) In accordance with requirements of the California Fish and Game Code section 1600 et seq., in-stream mining activities shall not cause fish to become entrapped in pools or in off-channel pits, nor shall they restrict spawning or migratory activities.

Authority cited: Sections 2755, 2756 and 2773, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2773, Public Resources Code.

## **Article 11. Financial Assurance Mechanisms**

### **§ 3801. Authority.**

Review, approval, adjustment, enforcement, notification, forfeiture and all other responsibilities of the lead agency, operator and ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation with respect to financial assurances shall be conducted as prescribed in Public Resources Code Section 2710 et seq. unless expressly outlined in this article.

Authority cited: Section 2773.1, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2773.1 (e), Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3802. Definitions.**

The following definitions shall govern the interpretation of this article:

(a) "Budget Set Aside" means a financial assurance mechanism, meeting the requirements of Section 3806.2 of this article, by which a government entity proposes to make specific identified monies within the entity's budget available to perform reclamation pursuant to the approved reclamation plan.

(b) "Financial Assurance Cost Estimate" means the amount of money necessary to conduct and complete reclamation on the mined lands in accordance with the approved reclamation plan, plus a reasonable estimate of the administrative costs and expenses which would be incurred by the lead agency or the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation, the total of which shall be calculated in accordance with section 3804, and shall constitute an obligation to pay by the operator.

(c) "Financial Assurance Mechanism" means an instrument, fund or other form of Financial Assurance as provided in Section 2773.1 of the Public Resources Code and this Article.

(d) "Pledge of Revenue" means a financial assurance mechanism meeting the requirements of Section 3806.1, of this Article, by which a governmental entity proposes to make specific, identified future revenue available to perform reclamation pursuant to the approved reclamation plan.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2755, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2736, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3803.2. Irrevocable Letters of Credit.**

Irrevocable Letters of Credit submitted as a Financial Assurance Mechanism shall be provided only from a financial institution authorized to do business in the State of California. The Irrevocable Letter of Credit shall be on, or attached to, the financial institution's letterhead and include the text on form ILoC-1 (~~1/18~~ 3/24), which is hereby

incorporated by reference. Non-substantial changes to the text of form ILoC-1 ( ~~1/18~~ 3/24) may be made to accommodate the financial institution's business practices with respect to Irrevocable Letters of Credit, but shall not conflict with or materially alter form ILoC-1 ( ~~1/18~~ 3/24) subject to the procedures set forth in Public Resources Code section 2773.4, subdivisions (e)(2)(A) and (B).

**§ 3804. Calculation of Financial Assurance Amount.**

(a) The Financial Assurance Amount shall be calculated as prescribed in Public Resources Code Section 2773.1 and based on:

- (1) an analysis of the physical activities and materials necessary to implement the approved reclamation plan;
- (2) the lead agency's unit costs, or costs for third party contracting, for each of these activities, if applicable;
- (3) the number of units of each of these activities, if applicable;
- (4) a contingency amount not to exceed 10% of the reclamation costs.

(b) The calculated amount should not include the cost of completing mining of the site.

(c) In order for the lead agency or the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation to determine what annual adjustments, if any, are appropriate to the Financial Assurance Amount, the operator shall annually submit to the lead agency a revision of the written calculation required under Section 3804(a).

Authority cited: Section 2773.1, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2773.1 (e), Public Resources Code.

**§ 3805. Review by the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation.**

Pursuant to Section ~~2774(c)~~ 2773.4, Public Resources Code, the lead agency shall submit a copy of the proposed Financial Assurance and the Calculation of Financial Assurance Amount submitted by the operator pursuant to Section 3804 to the ~~Director supervisor~~ of the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation for review. With this submittal the lead agency shall include the information and documentation relied upon in calculating the amount of the proposed Financial Assurance and indicate to the ~~Director supervisor~~ that the Financial Assurance Amount is adequate for the lead agency or the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation to conduct and complete reclamation on the mined lands in accordance with the approved reclamation plan. The ~~Director supervisor~~ shall have 45 days, upon receipt, to prepare written comments regarding the proposed Financial Assurance, if he/she so chooses.

Authority cited: Section 2774, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section ~~2774(c)~~ 2773.4, (d), Public Resources Code.

**§ 3805.5. Modification or Release of Financial Assurance.**

(a) Prior to the modification of a financial assurance amount, or to the release of the financial assurance instrument to which both the lead agency and the Department of Conservation, are co-beneficiaries under Public Resources Code section 2773.1, the lead agency shall provide to the ~~director~~ supervisor of the ~~department~~ Division of Mine Reclamation the following documents at one time:

(1) An inspection report, prepared by a qualified person as provided for in Public Resources Code section 2774, indicating that there are aspects of the surface mining operation that require modification of the existing financial assurance amount, or stating that the mined land has been reclaimed in accordance with the approved reclamation plan, and that there are no aspects of the reclaimed surface mining operation that are inconsistent with the meaning of reclamation as defined in Public Resources Code section 2733, and the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975, Chapter 9, commencing with section 2710.

(2) A revised financial assurance cost estimate prepared by the operator and accepted by the lead agency, or prepared by the lead agency, in accordance with Public Resources Code section 2773.1, with supporting documentation, indicating the specific cost changes to the existing financial assurance amount, or indicating that there are no further outstanding reclamation liabilities to be included in the financial assurance.

(3) A statement by the lead agency, with supporting documentation that may include the most recent inspection report and any geological and engineering reports prepared as part of the inspection report, that the mined land remains subject to a financial assurance as modified, or that the mined land has been reclaimed in accordance with the approved reclamation plan, that there are no outstanding reclamation liabilities, and recommending to the ~~director~~ supervisor that the financial assurance be released.

(b) The ~~director~~ supervisor shall have 45 days from the date of receipt of the documents to review and comment on them as provided for in Public Resources Code section ~~2774~~ 2774.3, and to conduct the ~~director's~~ supervisor's own inspection of the surface mining operation if the ~~director~~ supervisor determines it necessary under Public Resources Code section 2774.1, and do one of the following:

(1) Notify the lead agency of the ~~director's~~ supervisor's concurrence that the modified financial assurance amount is adequate, or that there are no outstanding reclamation liabilities on the mined land and that the original financial assurance should be released pursuant to Public Resources Code section 2773.1, at which time the financial assurance shall be released; or,

(2) Notify the lead agency that the director has found, based upon an inspection, aspects of the surface mining operation that require additional modifications to the

financial assurance amount, or aspects that are not in compliance with the approved reclamation plan and the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975; or,

(3) Commence the financial assurance forfeiture process under Public Resources Code section 2773.1.

(c) If a violation by the surface mining operation is confirmed by an inspection either by the lead agency or by the ~~director~~ supervisor, then the lead agency, or the ~~director~~ supervisor, may take actions under Public Resources Code section 2774.1 to ensure that the violation is corrected. In any event, the financial assurance shall not be released until the violation is corrected.

(d) Prior to sending written notification and release of financial assurances as provided under Public Resources Code section 2773.1, the lead agency shall obtain written concurrence of the ~~director~~ supervisor that the completion of reclamation of the mined land disturbed by the surface mining operation is in accordance with the requirements of the lead agency-approved reclamation plan.

(e) If a violation of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 or of the approved reclamation plan is confirmed by the inspection, and the lead agency does not take action under Public Resources Code section 2774.1 to ensure that the violation is corrected or take action under Public Resources Code section 2773.1 for forfeiture of the financial assurance, then the ~~director~~ supervisor may refer the matter to the board for further action under Public Resources Code section 2774.4.

Authority cited: Section 2755, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 2729, 2731, 2733, 2735, 2773.1, 2774 and 2774.1, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3806.1. Pledge of Revenue.**

(a) A pledge of revenue shall consist of a resolution or other appropriate document from the governing body of the state, county, city, district, or other political subdivision responsible for reclamation of the mined lands pursuant to the approved reclamation plans. The resolution or document shall remain effective continuously throughout the period in which the pledge of revenue is used to satisfy the requirements of Section 2773.1, Public Resources Code.

(b) The pledge of revenue shall contain the following items:

(1) The resolution or document establishing the pledge of revenue;

(2) The types and sources of pledged revenue;

(3) The period of time that each source of revenue is pledged to be available;

(4) The calculation amount of the financial assurance prepared pursuant to Section 3804; and

(5) The authorization for the lead agency or the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation to use the proceeds of the pledge to conduct and complete

reclamation if the lead agency or the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation determines that the operator is incapable of performing the reclamation covered by the pledge pursuant to Section 2773.1 (b).

(c) The state, county, city, district, or other political subdivision may pledge any following types of revenue that it controls and that will be available in a timely manner to conduct and complete reclamation:

- (1) Fees, rents, or other charges;
- (2) Tax revenues within statutory limitations; and/or
- (3) Other guaranteed revenues that are acceptable to the lead agency and the Board.

(d) If the governmental entity ceases at any time to retain control of its ability to allocate any pledged revenue to conduct and complete reclamation, the entity shall notify the lead agency and the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation and shall obtain alternative coverage within 60 days after control lapses.

Authority cited: Section 2773.1, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2773.1 (e), Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3806.2. Budget Set Aside.**

(a) A Budget Set Aside shall consist of a specific fund or line item set aside by the state, county, city, district or other political subdivision responsible for reclamation of the mined lands. The Budget Set Aside shall remain effective continuously throughout the period in which the Budget Set Aside is used to satisfy the requirements of Section 2773.1, Public Resources Code.

(b) The set aside shall contain the following items:

(1) A resolution or other appropriate document establishing the set aside or line item including proof of approval by the governing body or appropriate official of the state, county, city, district, or other political subdivision;

(2) The types and sources of specific funds;

(3) The period of time that each funding source is to be available:

(4) The calculation amount of the financial assurance prepared pursuant to Section 3804; and

(5) The authorization for the lead agency or the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation to use the funds to conduct and complete reclamation if the lead agency or the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation determines that the operator is incapable of performing the reclamation covered by the set aside pursuant to Section 2773.1 (b).



Note: Authority cited: Section 2773.1, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2773.1(e), Public Resources Code.

## **Article 12. Administrative Penalty Petition Procedures**

### **§ 3900. Purpose of Regulations.**

The regulations contained in this article govern procedures for petitions to the State Mining and Geology Board pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 2774.2 concerning the issuance of an Administrative Penalty by the ~~Director~~ supervisor of the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation.

Authority cited: Sections 2755 and 2774.2, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2774.2, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3901. Filing of Petition/Notice of Defense.**

Any person filing a petition to the Board pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 2774.2 concerning the issuance of an administrative penalty by the ~~Director~~ supervisor of the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation shall, within 30 days of the date of issuance of the order setting an administrative penalty, file a petition/notice of defense with the Board requesting a hearing. The petition/notice of defense shall be on the form set forth in Section 3911 of this article, or shall supply the following information to the Board. Failure to submit all the following documents within the 30 days filing period will result in an incomplete filing and an automatic rejection of the appeal.

- (1) Written statements, with supporting documentation, indicating specifically the basis for the petitioner's challenge of the ~~Director's~~ supervisor's order of administrative penalty;
- (2) A written statement advising the Board of the name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any;

Authority cited: Sections 2755 and 2774.2, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2774.2, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3902. Determination of Jurisdiction.**

The Chairman of the Board, or the Chairman's designee who is a Board member, shall determine within 15 days of receipt of the information required by Section 3901 of this article, whether the petition is within the jurisdiction of the Board for the purpose of hearing the petition, and determine whether the petition's challenge raises substantial issues related to the validity of the allegations supporting the ~~Director's~~ supervisor's order. If the Chairman finds, based upon the criteria stated in (a), (b), and (c) below, that the petition raises no substantial issues with respect to the ~~Director's~~ supervisor's allegations contained in the order of administrative penalty, or has not

been filed within statutory time limits, then the Chairman shall refuse to grant a hearing on the petition. In making these determinations, the Chairman shall consider the following:

(a) Whether the filing of the petition/notice of defense with the Board is within the time limits stipulated in Public Resources Code Section 2774.2;

(b) Whether the petition specifically relates to the allegations contained in the ~~Director's~~ supervisor's notice and order of administrative penalty;

(c) Whether prima facie documentation supporting the petition's position is reasonably sufficient to substantiate the petition's challenge.

Authority cited: Sections 2755 and 2774.2, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2774.2, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3903. Administrative Record.**

The Administrative Record shall consist of the record before the ~~Director~~ supervisor, evidence submitted on behalf of the petitioner, any other relevant evidence which, in the judgment of the Board, should be considered applicable, and evidence presented during the hearing on the petition.

Authority cited: Sections 2755 and 2774.2, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2774.2, Public Resources Code.

### **§ 3906. Hearing Procedures -Notice.**

(a) At least 10 days prior to the hearing, the Board shall give public notice as follows:

(1) Mailing or delivering by personal service the notice to the petitioner and to the petitioner's lead agency;

(2) Mailing or delivering by personal service the notice to the ~~Director~~ supervisor of the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation.

(3) Mailing the notice to any person who requests notice of the petition or hearing; and,

(4) Mailing the notice to the Board's regular mailing list.

(b) The notice of hearing shall include the following:

(1) The name of the petitioner;

(2) A statement describing the basis for the action;

(3) The amount of the administrative penalty petitioned;

(4) The time, date, and location of the public hearing.

Authority cited: Sections 2755 and 2774.2, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2774.2, Public Resources Code.

**§ 3909. Hearing Procedures -Use of Informal Hearing Procedure and Sequence.**

(a) The Board may conduct the petition hearing under this article pursuant to the informal hearing adjudicative proceedings described in the California Administrative Procedure Act. The informal hearing procedure is intended to satisfy due process and public policy requirements in a manner that is simpler and more expeditious than hearing procedures otherwise required by statute, for use in appropriate circumstances.

(b) The public hearing shall normally proceed in the following manner:

- (1) Identification of the record;
- (2) Statements on behalf of the petitioner;
- (3) Statements on behalf of the ~~Director~~ supervisor;
- (4) Statements on behalf of the lead agency;
- (5) Statements on behalf of the public;
- (6) Rebuttal on behalf of the petitioner;
- (7) Rebuttal on behalf of the ~~Director~~ supervisor;
- (8) Motion to close the public hearing.

(c) Notwithstanding the above, the Chairman or the Chairman's designee (Board member) for the purposes of conducting the hearing may, in the exercise of discretion, determine the order of the proceedings.

(d) The Chairman or the Chairman's designee (Board member) shall have the authority to impose time limits upon statements and presentations and to accept written statements in lieu of oral statements. Four copies of any written statements shall be submitted to the Board at least ten days prior to the hearing.

(e) Should the appellant, or his or her representative, fail to appear at the scheduled hearing, the board may make a determination upon the record otherwise before it, or, in the alternative, the board may consider the petition for hearing withdrawn.

(f) If the board determines that the petition for hearing has been withdrawn and more than 30 days has passed since the date of issuance of the order setting an administrative penalty, the order setting the administrative penalty shall not be subject to review by any court or agency.

(g) The actions of the Chairman or the Chairman's designee (Board member) under this section are not subject to judicial review.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2755 and 2774.2, Public Resources Code; and Article 10, Administrative Procedure Act. Reference: Section 2774.2, Public Resources Code; and Article 10, Administrative Procedure Act.

**§ 3910. Hearing Procedures -Determination.**

(a) Following the public hearing, the Board shall determine: (1) whether the alleged violations cited in the ~~Director's~~ supervisor's order are supported by substantial evidence in light of the whole record before it; and, (2) the action the Board should take to affirm, modify, or set aside, in whole or in part, the administrative penalty issued by the ~~Director~~ supervisor. The Board shall issue its own order upholding its determination.

(b) Modify means to change the administrative penalty from its original construction by the ~~director~~ supervisor. The board may modify the administrative penalty, in whole or in part, by such measures as it deems appropriate which include, but are not limited to, increasing or decreasing the penalty amount, establishing compliance deadlines, and structuring a method for payment of the penalty.

(c) Notification of the Board's determination shall be made by certified mail or personal service to the petitioner, the lead agency, and the ~~Director~~ supervisor within 15 days following the regular business meeting of the Board at which the decision is made.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2755 and 2774.2, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 2774.2, Public Resources Code.

**§ 3911. Petition/Notice of Defense Form.**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
DIVISION OF MINE RECLAMATION  
STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	
ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY	)	Case No.
ASSESSED AGAINST:	)	
	)	PETITION/
	)	NOTICE OF DEFENSE
an individual,	)	
	)	
d.b.a.	)	
	)	
	)	
PETITIONER(S)	)	
_____	)	

I acknowledge receipt of this action assessing an administrative penalty under Public Resources Code Section 2774.1(c) against me or the company for which I am the agent.

I request a hearing before the State Mining and Geology Board.

I object to the action on the ground that it does not state acts or omissions upon which the ~~Department of Conservation~~ Division of Mine Reclamation may proceed.

I object to the form of the action on the ground that it is so indefinite or uncertain that I cannot identify the transaction or prepare a defense.

I admit the action in whole or in part. (Indicate which parts you admit by paragraph number or list on a separate page facts or allegations admitted.)

I deny the action in whole or in part. (Indicate which parts you deny by paragraph number or list on a separate page facts or allegations denied.)

I have no personal knowledge of the facts or allegations. (Indicate which parts by paragraph number or on a separate page.)

I present the following new matter by way of defense: (On a separate page, list other facts which may exonerate or mitigate your possible responsibility or otherwise explain your relationship to the alleged violation. Be as specific as you can. If you have or know of any document(s), photograph(s), map(s), letter(s), or other evidence that you believe is/are relevant, please identify it/them by name, date, type, and any other identifying information and provide the original(s) or (a) copy(ies) if you can):

I wish to present the following information, statement, etc. in addition: (Use a separate page, if needed.)

I have documents, exhibits, declarations under penalty of perjury and/or other materials that I am attaching to this form or that I want to be made a part of the administrative record for this administrative penalty. (Please list in chronological order by date, author and title and enclose a copy with this completed form.)

I object to the action on the ground that, under the circumstances, compliance with the requirement of a regulation would result in a material violation of another regulation enacted by another department affecting substantive rights. (List the other regulation(s).)

I will pay the full assessed amount and waive a hearing.

**DO NOT SEND CASH.** Please note your case number on your remittance, made payable to: State of California, Department of Conservation, to ensure proper credit and mail it to this address: Department of Conservation, ~~Office Division~~ Division of Mine Reclamation, ~~801 K Street, MS-09-06~~ 715 P Street, MS 1905, Sacramento, California 95814.

If you intend to be represented by an attorney, please state his/her name, address, and telephone number. Otherwise, state the address and phone number where you want

legal documents sent. Mail this Notice of Defense to: Executive Officer, State Mining and Geology Board, ~~801 K Street, MS 24-05~~ 715 P Street, MS 1909, Sacramento, California 95814.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Petitioner's Signature

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Name of Counsel/Petitioner (circle one)

Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_

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Address

City

State

Zip