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UPDATE REPORT ON BOARD MOTION REGARDING THE OIL AND GAS STRIKE TEAM FOR UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY (MARCH 29, 2016 – AGENDA ITEM NO. 12)

On March 29, 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) passed a motion instructing the Director of Regional Planning, in coordination with the Fire Chief, Director of Public Health, and Director of Public Works to convene a Strike Team to assess the conditions, regulatory compliance and potential public health and safety risk associated with existing oil and gas facilities in unincorporated Los Angeles County. The Board instructed the Strike Team to report back on a biannual basis with a summary of its findings and any recommendations on legislative and regulatory positions that the Board should consider. The Board also requested that a five-member Advisory Panel be established, comprised of one appointee from each Supervisor with an expertise in oil and gas exploration and production, to work in conjunction with the Strike Team to assess the team's findings and recommendations.

In accordance with the Board's motion, the Strike Team is submitting the tenth and final update report to the Board for the oil and gas subject areas within the unincorporated Los Angeles County listed below. This report is the fifth of five update reports for the Phase II effort. The report and the appendices below can be accessed on the Department's web page at planning.lacounty.gov/oil-gas/strike.

- Orphaned and Abandoned Oil and Gas Wells
- Oil and Gas Pipelines



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- Oil and Gas Storage Facilities
- Hazardous Chemicals

Typically, within 30 days of submitting a Strike Team report, a report with the Advisory Panel's assessment of the Strike Team's report is also submitted to the Board. The Advisory Panel's comments are then addressed in the next Strike Team report. Given that this is the Strike Team's final report and no subsequent reports will be submitted, a joint Strike Team/Advisory Panel public meeting was held on September 15, 2021 to discuss the tenth and final update to the report, the Advisory Panel's assessment of the report, and to hear public comment. At this meeting the Strike Team passed a motion directing staff to address the Advisory Panel's comments in this report and to file this report with the Board.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact Diana Gonzalez, Zoning Enforcement Special Projects, at dgonzalez@planning.lacounty.gov or (213) 974-6483.

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Attachment:

planning.lacounty.gov/assets/upl/project/oil-gas_20210901-report10.pdf

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