

May 30, 2024

Dear Neighbors:

### UPDATE ON THE BALDWIN HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT

On behalf of LA County Planning, I would like to update you on the implementation efforts for the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (BHCS D) that have taken place since the last correspondence in April 2023. To review, the BHCS D was adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in 2008 to monitor and regulate oil drilling and related activities within the Inglewood Oil Field located in the Baldwin Hills area. Sentinel Peak Resources is the current operator of the Inglewood Oil Field.

The County remains active in ensuring that the oil field operations meet all the requirements established by the BHCS D to minimize health, safety, environmental and nuisance impacts to the surrounding communities. The County's review of the required annual drilling plan, the review of other BHCS D-required permit compliance submittals, and onsite field inspections document compliance with the requirements of the BHCS D. These requirements include development standards such as maintaining a 400-foot buffer between drilling operations and sensitive areas (e.g., residences, parks, and schools), air quality monitoring at the drill rigs, reduction of noise levels, and an annual drilling and monitoring plan reviewed and approved by the County. Since the inception of the BHCS D in 2008, 127 new wells have been drilled without incident through diligent monitoring by the County and other regulatory agencies. Please note that no new wells have been drilled since June 2014, and no new wells are expected to be drilled in 2024.

Strict state regulations were enacted through Senate Bill 4 to monitor and report hydraulic fracturing and other well stimulation treatments within California. As of July 1, 2015, this legislation requires operators to obtain a permit from the Department of Conservation Geologic Energy Management Division prior to hydraulically fracturing a well. **I would like to reaffirm that no wells are currently being hydraulically fracked within the Inglewood Oil Field, and the 2024 Annual Drilling Plan does not include the hydraulic fracturing of any new wells.**

In late 2022, LA County Planning started the process of amending the BHCS D, per the September 15, 2021 Board of Supervisors motion, to prohibit the location of new oil wells and allow existing oil wells to continue operating under a nonconforming status. On October 4, 2023, the Regional Planning Commission approved the amendment and

recommended that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopt the Baldwin Hills CSD Amendment. Subsequently, on May 14, 2024, the Board of Supervisors voted to approve the Amendment. The Community Advisory Panel (CAP) will be notified when the Amendment gets scheduled to go back to the Board of Supervisors for consent and adoption. To sign up for email updates regarding the Amendment and any other Baldwin Hills CSD updates please visit our website: <https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/baldwin-hills-csd/>.

The Baldwin Hills Community Advisory Panel, comprised of community stakeholders, continues to meet at 6:00 pm on the fourth Thursday of each month via virtual Zoom meetings to discuss current operations, answer questions and discuss any future plans for the oil field. Continued input by community stakeholders is encouraged and all are welcome to attend each meeting. Updates regarding the BHCSO and CAP may be found at <https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/baldwin-hills-csd/cap-meetings/>.

Information regarding the BHCSO may also be found at the operator's website <https://inglewoodoilfield.com/>.

If you have any questions regarding the BHCSO, or if you would like to receive email updates, please do not hesitate to contact Edgar De La Torre at (213) 974-6483 or by email at [edelatorre@planning.lacounty.gov](mailto:edelatorre@planning.lacounty.gov).

Sincerely,

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AMY J. BODEK, AICP  
Director of Regional Planning

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