

Exhibit 7

Appeal forms filed June 22, 2015

- Citizens for Responsible Oil and Gas
- Los Padres Forest Watch/Center for Biological Diversity



Appeal Form

County of Ventura • Resource Management Agency • Planning Division

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Appeal Number: PL13-0150

To: ☒ Board of Supervisors
☐ Planning Commission

I hereby appeal the decision of the Planning Commission, which was given on
June 11, 2015.

The decision was as follows:

To grant modified CUP PL13-0150 and that the addendum to the EIR satisfies the environmental review requirements of CEQA.

The grounds of appeal are (attach extra sheets as needed):

see attached sheet

I request that the appropriate decision making body take the following action:

Reverse the Planning Commission's decision regarding CUP PL13-0150 and remand it to the planning department. Direct planning staff to prepare either a full environmental impact report in compliance with CEQA or a supplemental EIR that addresses the cumulative and/or specific potential impacts that are demonstrated in the appeal. Limit the term of any future CUP for this area to a maximum of five years and incorporate strict condition compliance. Refund all fees to the appellant.

Name of Appellant: Citizens For Responsible Oil & Gas (CFROG)

Address of Appellant: PO Box 114 Ojai, Ca. 93024

Telephone Number of Appellant: 805-556-4001

Is the appellant a party in the application? No . If not, state the basis for filing the appeal as an "aggrieved person."

(CFROG) is a volunteer watchdog organization dedicated to the protection of the environment and the health and safety of Ventura County residents from the impacts of oil and gas development. We have provided testimony at the planning directors' hearing to improve the proposed mitigations for the project and to the planning commission.


Signature of Appellant

6-22-15
Date

Appeal and deposit fee of \$ 1000 (pursuant to fee schedule specified by Resolution No. 222 of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors) received by the Planning Division at 2:26 (time) on 6/22, 20 15.

Kim L. Prillhart, Director
Ventura County Planning Division

By  ELIAS VALENCIA

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Grounds for appeal of CUP :PL13-0150 CFROG

1. The Hamp 72 disposal well in the application was still the EPA list of wells being investigated for possible fresh water aquifer intrusion as of the Planning Commission hearing on 6/11/15. The state agency that evaluates aquifers has been negligent.

Therefore it is imperative that Ventura County as the lead agency must do an analysis of the nearby water basins both shallow and deep , determine the capacity of the disposal well and its possible impact on nearby water basins .

2. The Drill pad #7 facility is in violation of the Non Coastal Zoning Ordinance as it is too close to the bank of red line stream..(see the Blue Tomorrow report in the record)

No further wells should be placed on that drill pad without evaluation of the location of the wells, See Resources Policy 1.4.2-4

3. The authorization for drilling 19 new wells is expired and there have been numerous extensions of time. Since Vintage Oil Company (Now CRC) did not renew its permit to drill 19 new wells after three extensions of time, and now finally the entire CUP is expired, the CEQA process should begin anew with a new EIR. that examines numerous issues not considered in previous EIR's or MND's .

4. There is no mention of endangered species on the subject site in the 1983 or 1978 documents and the lead agency has not addressed the presence of several endangered and threatened species in a meaningful way or made any attempt to control (for example) polluted runoff for Steelhead Trout or micro trash for the California Condor.

5 Since this a new CUP , the long overdue study of the cumulative effects of oil and gas wells in Upper Ojai Valley must begin . There is substantial evidence of changed conditions. For instance, we are in a record breaking drought and the state of California is in a water emergency.

The planning department has stated ,without documentation ,that the estimate of 10 acre feet of fresh water for drilling would have no impact on fresh water wells in the area . Despite reports of wells going dry , the lead agency has provided no evidence of a review of the current status of water wells in the Upper Ojai area. Thomas Aquinas College depends on the water in Santa Paula Creek and its springs for all water except that for drinking. .

6.Greenhouse gas emission analysis done by staff is severely flawed , it under estimates true emissions and is inadequate to meet the requirements of the law. There are no mitigations proposed to reduce GHG as required by state and federal executive orders and law.

7. The well drilling project has never been authorized for more than a few years. A 30 year CUP with no time table for drilling is not in keeping with any prior time limits for the CUP.

8. The pipelines across Santa Paula creek from the project to the Hamp lease are not in conformance with requirements. There are no automatic shut off valves to limit the maximum spill to 45 barrels. The end of the pipeline rests directly in the flood plain and could be swept away. The permit called for a properly designed suspension bridge . If the volume will double with approval of this project the risk is even higher.

9. The site is part of the original Chumash village of *Sisa*, the largest of the inland village sites and considered by archaeologists to be of the "highest significance" . Despite staff's claim that there will be no additional grading , the proposal calls for the road between Drill site #1 and Drill site #2 to be regraded. The archaeological report in the FEIR found that the corridor between drill site one and two is likely to have a high incidence of cultural resources. Not only does this realignment of the road affect the high quality cultural resources that are found here, it could affect and further disturb burial grounds. Drill site 7 has never been evaluated for potential cultural resources and drilling 5 wells will impact at minimum any artifacts directly in the well bore.

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I hereby appeal the decision of the Ventura County Planning Commission, which was given on
June 11, 2015.

The decision was as follows:

Approving modified Conditional Use Permit No. PL13-0150, certifying an Addendum to previously-prepared environmental documents, and denying the appeal.

The grounds of appeal are (attach extra sheets as needed):

The decision does not comply with the California Environmental Quality Act, the County of Ventura Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance, the state and federal Endangered Species Acts, and other state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to the protection of the environment.

I request that the appropriate decision making body take the following action:

Decline to certify the 9-page EIR Addendum, and direct the Division to prepare a Supplemental or Subsequent EIR to evaluate new information;
Direct the Division to nullify the permit application based on ongoing violations with the terms and conditions of the existing permit;
Direct the Division to incorporate additional changes to the project to reduce potentially significant environmental impacts; and
Uphold our appeal, and refund our \$1,000 appeal fee.

Name of Appellant: Los Padres ForestWatch | Center for Biological Diversity

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Is the appellant a party in the application? ☒ No ☐ . If not, state the basis for filing the appeal as an "aggrieved person."

Appellants are non-profit organizations that have a long-standing interest in ensuring that oil and gas development in and near the Los Padres National Forest minimizes harm to the environment, including impacts to California condors, and public health and complies with local, state, and federal requirements. To that end, appellants have participated in the administrative process by attending hearings, reviewing documents, and/or submitting written comments and appeals.


 
Signature of Appellant

6/17/15
Date

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