



San Luis Obispo County

Department of Planning and Building Environmental Division

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FINAL EIR AND PLANNING COMMISSION

HEARING

DATE: January 31, 2012
FROM: John McKenzie, EIR Project Manager
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SUBJECT: Excelaron Conditional Use Permit (DRC2009-0002)

The Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the Excelaron (Mankins) Conditional Use Permit is complete and available for review. The FEIR addresses the environmental impacts that may be associated with the request to allow for a phased development to establish oil production of up to 12 oil wells on a previously explored oil field. Phasing would be as follows: Phase I - Exploration and Testing, Phase II – Production (four wells), Phase III – Site Cleanup and Existing Well Abandonment, Phase IV - Field Development (up to 8 additional wells).

The proposed project is within the Rural Lands land use category and is located approximately 3/4 mile west of the Mankins' ranch house, which is on the west side of Huasna Townsite Road, approximately 1.5 miles south of Huasna Road, approximately 12 miles east of the City of Arroyo Grande, in the South County (Inland) and Huasna-Lopez planning areas.

Final EIR Availability - Copies can be found at the following **library locations**: Cal Poly Library and City/County Library of San Luis Obispo. Copies are also available on loan and for review at the Environmental Division of the Planning Department, located at 976 Osos St., Room 200, San Luis Obispo, 93408-2040. The EIR is on the Planning Department's web site at **www.sloplanning.org**, either enter "Excelaron" in the 'search box' or go to 'Quicklinks' at bottom of page and click on "Environmental Information and Natural Resources", then "Environmental Notices, Proposed Negative Declarations, EIRs and other Documents", and then find the 'Excelaron' web page. Copies of the FEIR is also available on CDs upon request.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing before the San Luis Obispo Planning Commission has been tentatively scheduled for February 23, 2012, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Government Center at Monterey and Santa Rosa Streets, San Luis Obispo. If you plan to attend, please call two weeks before this date to verify.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

The EIR focuses on the following issues: Aesthetics, Agricultural Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards/ Hazardous Materials, Noise, Population/ Housing, Public Services/ Utilities, Transportation/ Circulation, Wastewater, Water, and Land Use. The EIR also considers feasible alternatives in addition to the "No Project" alternative.

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HOW TO GET MORE INFORMATION:

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