

**NOTICE OF PREPARATION
AND PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS**

SUBJECT: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (SCH# 2010011049) and Public Scoping Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the City of Whittier Community Development Department will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified below. We need to know your views as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be prepared for the proposed Project. Please note that an earlier NOP and Public Draft EIR had been prepared for an earlier version of this Project.

PROJECT TITLE: Whittier Main Oil Field Development Project

PROJECT APPLICANT: Matrix Oil Corporation, 104 W. Anapamu, Suite C, Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

PROJECT LOCATION: Located on City owned land within the Puente Hills Landfill Native Habitat Preservation Authority, generally located north of Mar Vista Street and west of Colima Road.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project is a revision to the previous Oilfield project, described in the DEIR (submitted for public review 10/6/2010 through 12/6/2010). The revised Project incorporates aspects of the environmentally superior project alternative and is being proposed by the applicant in order to reduce areas of disturbance and potentially significant environmental impacts. The revised Project will consist of wells, oil processing, gas plant, oil and gas pipelines, and oil truck loading facilities, to be located within portions of the 1,290-acre City owned Whittier Main Field, now part of the Authority Habitat Preserve. The oil and gas production and processing facilities will be physically located at a central Consolidated Site within the Whittier Main Oil Field. The site encompasses approximately 6.9 acres.

SCOPING MEETINGS: Pursuant to Section 21083.9 of the Public Resources Code, two Scoping Meetings will be held, one for the general public and one for responsible public agencies. The purpose of the Scoping Meetings is to discuss the proposed project EIR and assist the City in identifying the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant effects to be analyzed in depth in the EIR. The Scoping Meetings will be held at the times, date and place indicated below:

General Public Scoping Meeting:

Time: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Date: May 5, 2011

Place: Community Center Theater, 7630 Washington Ave., Whittier, California 90602.

Responsible Public Agency Scoping Meeting:

Time: 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Date: May 5, 2011

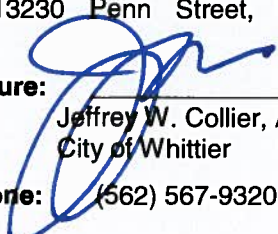
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The general public and responsible public agencies are invited to attend the scoping meeting and/or review and comment on the project Initial Study.

A copy of the NOP and Scoping Document describing the project, location, and the potential environmental effects is available at the City Community Development Department at 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California 90602, or online at: www.cityofwhittier.org. Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. Please send your response to Mr. Jeffery Adams, Planning Services Manager, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California 90602 or via email to jadams@whittierch.org.

Date: April 25, 2011

Signature:



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