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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

Notice is hereby given that an Initial Study of Environmental Impact and a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact have been prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and are available for public review for the following application:

Kemp Subdivision Project:

- **Tentative Tract Map #248/Kemp**
- **General Plan Amendment #2010-04/Kemp**
- **Zone Reclassification #2010-05/Kemp**

A proposal to subdivide an approximately 630-acre parcel (APN 026-150-29), located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Indian Springs Drive & Tuttle Creek Road, adjacent to the community of Alabama Hills, approximately 5 miles west of the town of Lone Pine, into twelve 2.5-acre lots (30 acres total), one 1-acre lot for fire protection purposes ("Lot A"), with the bulk of the acreage left as a "remainder" parcel (597 acres) that will continue to be used for cattle grazing.

Lots 1-10 of the project site are located on the south side of Indian Springs Drive, adjacent to the community of Alabama Hills, which is located on the north side of Indian Springs Drive. Lots 11, 12, and Lot A will be located slightly more to the southwest, along Tuttle Creek Road. The site for the proposed lots is located on an area of upland, on the north-northwest edge of the Kemp Ranch property, with the bulk of the project parcel (the "remainder" parcel of 597 acres), which includes saline/alkali meadow areas and areas used for cattle grazing, located to the south-southeast of the proposed lots areas.

The site is currently designated and zoned Agriculture (A) and Open Space, 40-acre minimum (OS-40), respectively. The applicant proposes to change the designation and zoning for the 12 proposed lots to Residential Rural Medium Density, 2.5-acre minimum (RRM) and Rural Residential (RR), respectively, which is similar to the adjacent community of Alabama Hills. Lot A will be designated and zoned Public Facility and Public, respectively, and be dedicated for future use by the Lone Pine Fire District for fire protection purposes. The remainder parcel of 597 acres will continue unchanged from its current designation, zoning, and use as a cattle ranch.

The 30-day review period for this Draft Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact expires on October 4, 2010. During this period the public may make comments on the proposed project. Inyo County is not required to respond to any comments received after this date. Written comments and all questions should be addressed to the Inyo County Planning Department, P. O. Drawer "L," Independence, CA 93526, or faxed to 760-878-0382, or emailed to inyoplanning@inyocounty.us

Copies of the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact for this project are available for review at the Inyo County Planning Department offices (168 N. Edwards Street, Independence), all Inyo County Public Libraries, and on the Planning Department's website (www.inyocounty.us/planning/planning.html - under "Current Projects").