

DECISION RECORD

EA LOG No. OR-010-80-06

Project Name: Soda Lake Gravel Pit Boundary Change

Applicant: Lakeview BLM

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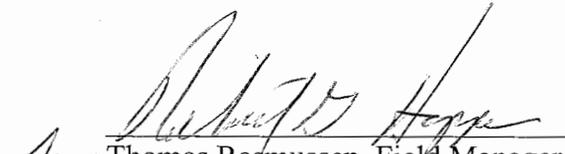
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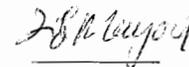
The following is the decision of the Bureau: to change the Free-Use-Permit boundary for the existing Soda Lake gravel pit. The pit will be expanded by 10 acres on the north side and by 10 acres on the east side (see attached map). The expansion is needed to allow the Lake County Road Department to remove an additional 50,000 cubic yards of pit run gravel for road maintenance work.

Rationale:

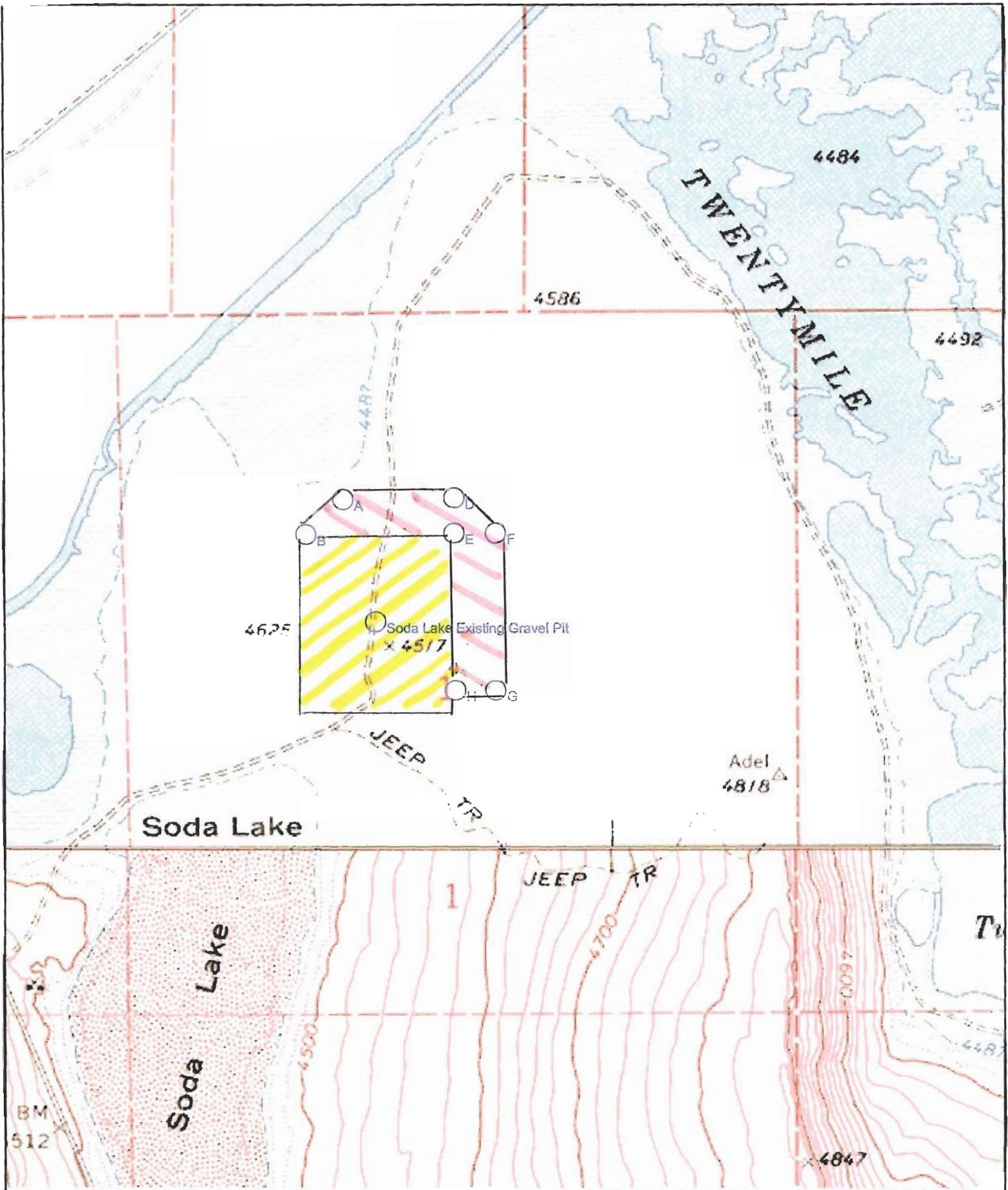
The development of the Soda Lake gravel pit was previously analyzed in EA # OR-010-9-06 (along with 8 other gravel pits). This resulted in the preparation of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Decision Record in 1980. Since this time, culture and botanical surveys have located important resource values that needed to be avoided. This necessitated the need to reconfigure the existing pit boundary. The expansion would occur in adjacent areas where surveys found no sensitive resources. The pit continues to be needed because there is a definite need for gravel material to construct and maintain safe county roads. The general description of mining methods, the existing environment, and environmental effects remain substantially the same as those previously described in EA # OR-010-9-06. Therefore, a new NEPA analysis is not necessary.



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Date



Name: CALDERWOOD RESERVOIR
 Date: 5/27/2004
 Scale: 1 inch equals 1000 feet

Location: 11 265554 E 4667955 N
 Caption: Soda Lake Existing Gravel Pit

Additional Area
 existing P.it