

Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2008091036

Project Title: Rancho Road and BNSF Grade Separation (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SBR-15071-R6)

Project Location (San Bernardino County): The desert wash restoration site (Letts Parcel) is located within the Oro Grande Wash, south of El Centro Road and west of Bellflower Street, within the City of Hesperia limits. The parcel, identified as APN 3039-281-23, is 11.40 acres in size and is in part currently being used to mitigate for two other projects: the Industrial Park Lead Track Project (0.87 acres) and the I-15/Rancho Road Interchange Project (4.38 acres).

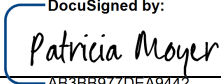
Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement (SAA) (EPIMS-SBR-15071-R6), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, City of Hesperia as represented by Rachel Molina.

The Project is limited to 4.38 acres of desert wash restoration work. The Project is providing mitigation for previous streambed impacts of 0.06 acres from roadway construction permitted through SAA# 1600-2009-0063-R6. According to the approved Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan for SAA# 1600-2009-0063-R6, 4.38 acres of desert wash will be restored in order to mitigate for construction impacts.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 06/21/2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the **Mitigated Negative Declaration** prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature: _____  _____ (for) _____ Date: 6/21/2022

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Alisa Ellsworth, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____