Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2016121033

Project Title: Bradley Road Bridge Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-RIV-40173-R6)

Project Location (Riverside County): The Project is located Bradley Road where it crosses Salt Creek, south of Potomac Drive and north of Rio Vista Drive, within the City of Menifee, in Riverside County, State of California; Latitude 33.692399° N and Longitude -117.188604° W; Sections 33 and 34, Township 5 South, Range 3 West U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Romoland, 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle. The Project is located within Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APN) 338-090-022.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-RIV-40173-R6), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the Project Applicant, City of Menifee.

The Project will consist of impacts from the demolition and replacement of the existing Bradley Road Bridge over Salt Creek to construct a 335 foot-long by 64-foot-wide all-weather bridge. The bridge will consist of a three-span, cast-in-place, post-tensioned concrete box girders supported by two intermediate piers consisting of three columns each (six columns total), and two open-ended abutments. Other project components include relocating an existing Southern California Gas Company natural gas line within the bridge impact area; removing two existing barbed wire fences tools within the southern portion of Salt Creek to the east and west of Bradley Road; reconstructing the existing paved Class I bike path, roadway approaches, and crossing of Bradley Road; and installing two permanent, aggregate-based access ramps on the south side of Salt Creek for future maintenance purposes.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.80 acres and permanently impact 0.21 acres of streambed, bank, and channel. Temporary impacts will be restored onsite. To compensate for the remaining permanent impacts of 0.21-acres of stream bed, bank, and channel, through the either 1) through the acquisition, and perpetual conservation and management of a "Mitigation Site", or several mitigation sites, containing no less than 0.63 acres of streambed and stream-associated habitat within Riverside County or 2) acquisition of no less than 0.63 acres of Reestablishment/rehabilitation credits through Riverpark Mitigation Bank, or other CDFW- approved mitigation bank within Western Riverside County.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on February 20, 2024, 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).

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- 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.

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Kim Freeburn, Environmental Program Manager	
Date Received for filing at OPR:	