

**Notice of Determination**

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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108**  
State Clearinghouse Number: 2015111075

Project Title: State Route (SR-) 55 Improvements Project Between Interstate (I-) 5 and I-405

Project Location (include county): The project is located on SR-55 in both directions from approximately just north of the Interstate 405 (I-405)/SR-55 Interchange to just south of the Interstate 5 (I-5)/SR-55 Interchange between Post Mile 6.3 and Post Mile 10.3, within the cities of Santa Ana, Tustin, and Irvine in Orange County, California.

The Project will result in impacts including temporary impacts to 1.3 acres of unvegetated streambed (3,300 linear feet) and a net decrease of 0.84 acre of streambed area.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [ the lead agency /  a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on August 28, 2020 and made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project  will /  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.  An environmental impact report /  A mitigated negative declaration was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
  3. Additional mitigation measures [ were /  were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
  4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [ was /  was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
  5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [ was /  was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
  6. Findings [ were /  were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW did, however, adopt findings to document its compliance with CEQA.
  7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
    - Payment is submitted with this notice.
    - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
- Responsible Agency statement: The Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the streambed alteration agreement is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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*Erinn Wilson-Olgin*

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Date: 8/28/2020

Erinn Wilson-Olgin, Environmental Program Manager  
Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Date Received for filing at OPR: Aug 28 2020

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