

**Notice of Determination**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2008041038

**Project Title:** Barren Ridge Switching Station Expansion Project- Retention Basin (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-27263-R4)

**Project Location:** The Project includes activities in 11 unnamed ephemeral streams in the area of the existing Barren Ridge Switching Station, located west of State Route 14, approximately 14 miles north of the City of Mojave, in Kern County, California. The Project is located in Section 18 of Township 31 South and Range 37 East; USGS 7.5 Minute Quad Mojave Northeast.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-27263-R4, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

The Project includes the construction of a 0.34-acre stormwater retention basin adjacent to the on-going development and expansion of the Barren Ridge Switching Station along with the expansion of an existing concrete channel and relocation of an existing dirt access road.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on 6/21/2022 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 environmental impact report 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 made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** 6/21/2022  
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