

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2019059099

**Project Title:** Interstate 10 Repaving Project (08-1C082) (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0025-R6 Major Amendment No. 3).

**Project Location (Riverside County):** The Interstate 10 (I-10) Repaving Project Post Mile (PM)104.90 – 134.00 (1C082) (Project) is located 9 miles west of the city of Blythe, in an unincorporated portion of Riverside County. Table 1 shows the Quadrangle Index of the Project Area.

**Table 1. Townships, Ranges, and Sections in the Project Area**

Township	Range	Sections
5S	15E	25, 26, 27
	16E	27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36
	17E	31
6S	17E	4,5,6,9,10,11,12,13
	18E	16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26
	19E	28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36
	20E	31, 32

**Project Description:** This project will construct temporary detour lanes and crossover lanes in the existing median for traffic handling during construction. This amendment involves repaving the roadbeds, and upgrade guardrails, bridge rails, and drainage facilities and adds the installation of a fiber optic system, grading of outside shoulders, and grouting of riprap at each bridge location in the project area. The project will impact 5.25 acres of ephemeral desert wash and will provide 10.5 acres of CDFW approved mitigation at a conservation bank or the permanent protection of ephemeral desert wash habitat.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 6/19/2024 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).
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.

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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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*Brandy Wood*

6/19/2024

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

for Alisa Ellsworth, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_