

Notice of Exemption

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Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street
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Project Title: East Cat Canyon Remediation (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0180-R5)

Project Location (include county): The Project site is located within Cat Canyon Creek and eight additional unnamed streams at the East Cat Canyon Oil Field (6516 East Cat Canyon Road) near the City of Santa Maria, County of Santa Barbara, State of California.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2018-0180-R5, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code, to Shell Western Exploration and Production, Inc. (SWEPI).

The project consist of: 1) removal of high viscosity surface flow remains (oil remains) that have migrated off East Cat Canyon Oil Field property (Property); and, 2) management of oil remains that are located on the Property site. Oil remains from off-Property areas will be excavated, exported to an approved disposal site and then the sites will be graded and filled with clean fill material and compacted to match natural creek contours.

Public Agency Approving Project: CDFW

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: SWEPI

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
Categorical Exemption. Type - Class 30; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15330

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project consists of minor clean-up actions taken to prevent, minimize, stabilize, mitigate, and/or eliminate the release or threat of release of a hazardous waste or substance costing less than \$1 million.

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