

Notice of Determination**- 1 -****To:**

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020029024

Project Title: Interstate 10 Pavement Rehabilitation Project, Environmental Permit Information Management System EPIMS-RIV-32868-R6.

Project Location (include county): The project includes project components at forty-eight separate streams along Interstate 10, east of City of Indio to approximately 3 miles east of the Cactus City Rest Area, in the County of Riverside, State of California; and are depicted on the USGS Indio, Thermal Canyon, and Eagle Mountains Quadrangles 7.5 minute topographical maps. The westernmost location is at an Unnamed Streambed; Latitude 33.706167°, Longitude -116.138123° and the easternmost location is at Hazy Gulch, Latitude 33.674337°, Longitude -115.938017°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-RIV-32868-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, California Department of Transportation District 8. The Project will impact 18.631 acres of Fish and Game Code section 1602 resources. The Project will construct install new rock slope protection, widen bridge structures, widen culverts, grade streambeds, and construct culvert inlet and outlet structures.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on 6/13/2022 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 mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. 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 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 / 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 Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____