California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
Compliance Certification Form

CCC Center or Local Conservation Corps: <u>Los Angeles Conservation Corps</u>

Project Name: <u>Ballona Wetlands Riparian and Dune Restoration</u>

Project Address: <u>6204 63rd Ave., Playa del Rey, CA 90293</u>

When was CEQA analysis completed for this project? Date: <u>10/23/2020</u>

What document(s) was filed for this project's CEQA analysis: (check all that apply)

☐ Notice of Determination
☑ Notice of Exemption
☐ Initial Study/Negative Declaration
☐ Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration
☐ Environmental Impact Report
☐ Other: _____

Please attach the <u>Notice of Exemption</u> or the <u>Notice of Determination</u> as appropriate.
If these forms were not completed please attach a letter from the Lead Agency explaining why, certifying the project has complied with CEQA and noting the date that the project was approved by the Lead Agency.

CEQA Lead Agency Contact Information:

Agency Name: <u>California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife</u>   Contact Person: <u>Richard Brody</u>

Mailing Address: <u>PO Box 1653, Topanga, CA 90290</u>

Phone: (<u>310</u>) <u>455 3243</u>   Email: <u><Richard.Brody@wildlife.ca.gov></u>

Certification:

I hereby certify that the Lead Agency listed above has determined that it has complied with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the project identified above and that the project is described in adequate and sufficient detail to allow the project's construction.

I certify that the CEQA analysis for this project encompasses all aspects of the work to be completed with these funds. This project is not part of any legally mandated mitigation.

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Lead Agency's Authorized Representative   Date   _____
(Signature)   Lead Agency's Authorized Representative
                                                         (Printed Name and Title)

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CEQA, the California Environmental Quality Act, is a statute that requires state, county, and local agencies to identify the significant environmental impacts of their proposed actions and to avoid or mitigate those impacts, if feasible. CEQA is triggered when a public agency directly undertakes or funds a "project" (as defined by CEQA guidelines). Projects funded by the California Conservation Corps (CCC) in the form of grants to Certified Local Conservation Corps trigger CEQA compliance.

Lead Agency

All CEQA reports are to be completed by the lead state, county, or local agency (ultimate project Sponsor, in most cases).

CEQA Process

Applicants should check with their local city or county planning agency for more information on how to complete CEQA.

Information on complying with CEQA can also be found on the Natural Resources Agency's California Environmental Resources Evaluation System (CERES) website at http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa/

The CCC requires CEQA compliance or the initiation of the CEQA process at the time of application. In either case, CEQA compliance is required prior to commencement of project work. Complete CEQA documentation must include **one** of the following:

(a) A Notice of Exemption filed with, and stamped by, the county clerk/recorder's office or State Clearinghouse (SCH);

(b) An Initial Study with a Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration, with the submittal confirmation response from the State Clearinghouse, and a copy of the Notice of Determination filed with, and stamped by, the county clerk/recorder's office or SCH or

(c) An Initial Study and an Environmental Impact Report, with the submittal confirmation response from the SCH, and a copy of the Notice of Determination filed with, and stamped by, the county clerk/recorder's office or SCH.

Categorical Exemptions

Many approved projects may qualify for categorical exemptions (designated classes of activities that generally do not result in significant impacts). In these cases, only a Notice of Exemption is needed to successfully comply with the CEQA requirement. A list of Categorical Exemptions to CEQA can be found at http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa/guidelines/art19.html