



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Salt Creek Waterline Installation

LOCATION: Salton Sea SRA

COUNTY: Riverside

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Salt Creek Campground, located at Salton Sea SRA, requires a new water pressure reducer valve and waterline. An approximately 1050' trench (3' deep by 18" wide) will connect the new valve to the old waterline. Additionally, a concrete slab (4' by 6' by 4") will be installed around the new valve. Heavy equipment will be used to trench and backfill. The system will not expand capacity but is needed to replace aging infrastructure.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Ocotillo Wells District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 1, 3, 4 Section: 15301, 15303, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.4. If the project is implemented as indicated within the C DPR Project Evaluation Form, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities, CEQA §15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, and CEQA §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- “Utility repairs or minor upgrades” (Class 1, Section 15301)
- “Construction or installation of [small] park facilities” (Class 3, Section 15303)
- “Minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that do not include healthy, mature or scenic trees except for forestry purposes.” (Class 4, Section 15304)

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