



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Notice of Exemption

Table with 2 columns: To: Office of Planning and Research, P.O. Box 3044, Room 113, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044; From: California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division, 1725 23rd Street, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95816-7100

Project Title: BLM Palm Springs South Coast Field Office Restoration

Project Applicant: Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Palm Springs South Coast Field Office

Project Location – Specific: Chuckwalla Special Resource Management Area (SRMA), Meccacopia SRMA, Desert Wildlife Management Area (DWMA) wash closed designation, Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument, Coachella Valley Preserve

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project will fund BLM Palm Springs South Coast Field Office continued restoration and protection of resources affected by unauthorized OHV activities. BLM will perform restoration activities at 29 sites, install barriers at additional closed washes, and perform minor restoration activities at many small sites throughout the project area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: BLM – Palm Springs South Coast Field Office

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
[X] Categorical Exemption (CE). Section 15301 Existing Facilities
Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
Activity not subject to CEQA review.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE class listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above. No exceptions to the exemption apply to this project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jon O'Brien, Environmental Program Mgr.

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Signature: Jon O'Brien

Date: 12/16/21

[X] Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

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