

## Notice of Determination

**To:**  
Office of Planning and Research

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2022050039

**Project Title:** El Capitan Spillway Vegetation Removal Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SDO-34113-R5)

**Project Location (San Diego County):** The project is located within the El Capitan Dam spillway north of the dam and the San Diego River, at 16850 El Monte Road, in the unincorporated community of Lakeside, County of San Diego, State of California; Latitude 32.882460, Longitude -116.815375; Assessor's Parcel Number 402-070-03-00.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-SDO-34113-R5, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, issued to the project Applicant, City of San Diego, Public Utilities Department. The project involves the removal of accumulated debris and vegetation from the El Capitan Dam Spillway.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 11/9/2023 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 prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was** 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 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 a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_