

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2022090055

Project Title: Interstate 10 Cactus City Safety Roadside Rest Area Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-RIV-46538-R6)

Project Location (County of Riverside): The project is located approximately 15 miles east of the City of Indio, along Interstate 10 from Post Mile (PM) 71.3 to PM 72.6.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-RIV-46538-R6, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, the California Department of Transportation, District 8. Project activities include waterline trenching, culvert extension, and reconstruction of the Cactus City rest area both north and south of Interstate 10. Project activities will result in 1.960 acres of long-term impacts and 3.569 acres of permanent impacts to Fish and Game section 1602 resources.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on June 25, 2024, 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 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 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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Kim Freeburn

Signature: _____ Date: 6/25/2024

Kim Freeburn, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____