State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Vehicle Solar Charging Station

LOCATION: Ocotillo Wells SVRA

COUNTY: San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The project will install a new freestanding electric vehicle (EV) ARC 2020 charging station at the Ocotillo Wells District headquarters. The station will be installed east of existing parking structures by sea containers, on an existing gravel pad. The EV charging station will improve and increase the ability to charge the district's electric or hybrid fleet. Charging is limited to state vehicles and located in a restricted area closed to the public. The EV solar panel dimensions are approximately 8ft wide by 9ft tall, with the charging footprint for the EV charging station 30ft wide by 22ft long. The EV charging station will be mounted on the surface; no ground disturbance is required for installation. The existing gravel pad will be leveled for use as a parking pad; no further earth work is necessary. Measures to be implemented to avoid impact may be obtained by submitting a request to the Environmental Coordinator listed below.

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: 11 *Section:* 15311

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The proposed action complies with CEQA because it is: (1) categorically exempt under Class 11, Section 15311 of the CEQA Guidelines, Accessory Structures, as it involves placement of a minor structure accessory to district facilities; and (2) there are no unusual circumstances or other applicable exceptions to the exemptions.

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