

**Notice of Determination****- 1 -****To:**Office of Planning and Research  
[CEQA Submit](#)Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)  
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Email: lhenry@cityofhesperia.us**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108**  
State Clearinghouse Number: 2023070047**Project Title:** Smoke Tree Self Storage (Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act (WJTCA)  
Incidental Take Permit No. 1927-ITP-2024-017-06 (ITP)**Project Location (include county):** The Smoke Tree Self Storage (Project) is located The 2.32-acre project site is located on the southwest corner of Smoke Tree Street and "I" Avenue in the east-central portion of the City of Hesperia, San Bernardino (See Figure 1). The Project is located approximately 6 miles East of Interstate 15 and 2.5 miles west of the Mojave River at approximately latitude 34.42223, longitude -117.28309. The Project is bounded by G Avenue to the West, Main Street to the South, Smoke Tree Street to the North and "I" Avenue to the East (Project Site).**Project Description:** This proposed project involves the development of 2.32 acres of undeveloped land during the construction of a 48,783-square foot self-storage facility that includes five self-storage buildings, an office building, on-site landscaping, and improvements.The Project will result in incidental take of 3 western Joshua tree (*Yucca brevifolia*) which is protected under the WJTCA and the California Endangered Species Act. The WJTCA ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of western Joshua tree that may occur as a result of Project implementation.This is to advise that CDFW, acting as  the lead agency /  a responsible agency approved the above-described project on the date signed below and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project  will /  will not have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).

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- 2.  An environmental impact report /  A mitigated negative declaration was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
- 3. Additional mitigation measures  were /  were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan  was /  was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations  was /  was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a).
- 7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
  - Payment is submitted with this notice.
  - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
- Responsible Agency statement: The Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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*Alisa Ellsworth* For \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 7/11/2024  
 Signature 84FBB8273E4C480... \_\_\_\_\_  
 Heidi Calvert, Regional Manager