

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:**

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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Inland Deserts Region  
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**Project Title:** D-1116 L-314 MP 4.1-23.7 ILI Non-Immediate Dig (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SBR-35820-R6)

**Project Location:** The project is located east of State Route 66, south of Frontier Road and west of Gunsmoke Road and north of Helendale, an unincorporated community of San Bernardino County. The project is within an unnamed tributary to the Mojave River, State of California; Latitude 34.785163, Longitude -117.24687.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SBR-35820-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Pacific Gas and Electric Company as represented by Craig Geldard.

The project is limited to the excavation of one 9' x 23' primary bell hole, and potentially two 6' x 6' sniff holes to enable crews to locate the natural gas pipeline and support safe maintenance repair. Project activities are anticipated to temporarily impact 0.28 acres of ephemeral unvegetated streambed, and surrounding habitat.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Pacific Gas and Electric Company

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301(b))

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project activities are limited to the repair and maintenance of existing facilities of both investor and publicly owned utilities.

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