

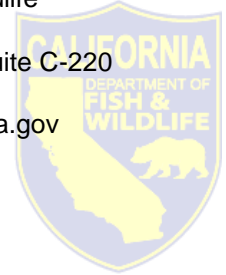
Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: TD1321037 Eastern Morongo Creek Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project (Notification of Lake and Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-RIV-39252-R6).

Project Location (Riverside County): The project is located at Dry Morongo Creek, approximately 75-feet east of U.S. Route 62 and approximately 1.58 miles north of the U.S. Route 62/North Indian Canyon Drive intersection. The site is in unincorporated Riverside County, State of California; Latitude 34.024214, Longitude -116.584989.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-RIV-39252-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison.

The project is limited to removing and replacing one deteriorated pole (Pole 1685578E) with a new steel pole and a 20-foot by 36-inch caisson, located 6 feet north of the old pole. The pole will be accessed by foot and set by truck. The removal of boulders will occur as needed along the access route using a small backhoe.

Project activities described above are anticipated to temporarily impact 0.029 acres (50 linear feet) and permanently impact 1 linear feet of resources subject to Fish and Game Code section 1602. This included potential impacts to approximately 0.003 (50 linear feet) of Black-stem Rabbitbrush Scrub and 0.002 acres (50 linear feet) of Creosote Bush—White Bursage Scrub.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE


Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Edison

Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: Class 1, section 15301; The project is exempt because it includes the maintenance and repair of existing structures used to provide electric power. In addition, the Project will involve restoring deteriorated structures. All work will be performed with mechanical equipment.

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