## **Notice of Exemption**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, 1400 Tenth Street, Rm. 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

**From:** California Department of Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Planning Branch Native Plant Program P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

**Project Title:** Western Joshua Tree Hazard Management Project (Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act Permit No. 1927-HMP-2023-052)

**Project Location:** The Western Joshua Tree Hazard Management Project (Project) will take place at 6962 Canyon Road, Twentynine Palms, CA 92277, or Assessor's Parcel Number 0614-161-34 in San Bernardino County.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife is issuing a western Joshua tree hazard management permit to Donna Hoyler (Permit No. 1927-HMP-2023-052) pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1927.4 for a project to trim a western Joshua tree. Western Joshua tree hazard management permits are issued to property owners for the purpose of removing or trimming a dead western Joshua tree or trimming a living western Joshua tree, provided that the dead western Joshua tree or any limb to be removed meet one of the following conditions: (A) has fallen over and is within 30 feet of a structure; (B) is leaning against an existing structure; or (C) creates an imminent threat to public health or safety.

California Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

| Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Donna Hoyler   |  |
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| Exempt Status:  |  |
| ☐ Emergency Project. Type and section number:   | Section 15269(b)                               |
| □ Categorical Exemption. Type and section number  | per: Section 15301, Class 1                    |
| Reasons why project is exempt: The Project involves maintenance of existing landscaping and native growth that involves negligible or no expansion to existing public or private structure use.  Area Code/Telephone/ Extension: (016) 504 4574 |  |
| Lead Agency Contact Person: Joanne Heraty  —DocuSigned by:  | Area Code/Telephone/ Extension: (916) 594-4574 |
| Signature:  | Date: 9/13/2023                                |
| ☐ Signed by Lead Agency Date Re   | eceived for filing at OPR:                     |