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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: **County Clerk of**
County of Riverside
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507

From: **City of Indio**
100 Civic Center Mall
Indio, CA 92201

Project Title: Jefferson Overpass Median Improvements, City Project No. ST2308

1. Project Location: Indio Blvd between Jefferson Street and I-10 Freeway

2. County: Riverside

3. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of the project:

Beautification project for median in Indio Blvd, between Jefferson Street and I-10 Freeway. Replace existing dirt median and replace with plants, palm trees, public art and river rock. Project also includes installation of tree up lighting, electrical lines, irrigation system and water lines, and a sign. This project will beautify the corridor for all motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists, users on both streets.

4. Name of Public Agency approving project: City of Indio

5. Name of Person or Agency carrying out project: City of Indio, Public Works Department

6. Exempt status: (check one)

- a. Ministerial project (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- b. Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- c. Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(c));
- d. **Categorical Exemption. (Class 1, Sec. 15301);**
- e. Statutory Exemption. (Section _____)

7. Reason why project was exempt:

The Proposed Use has been environmentally reviewed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15000 *et seq.*, hereafter the "Guidelines"). The City has determined that the Proposed Use is exempt under Class 1 from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act, CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301, Class 1. The proposed improvements will involve construction in the City's public right-of-way to remove existing dirt medians and replace them with planted materials, trees and public art.

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