

Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number:

Project Title: JBJ RANCH PHASE 1 (TTM 31818-1) PROJECT (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. (EPIMS-RIV-26265-R6))

Project Location (County of Riverside): The JBJ Ranch Phase 1 (TTM 31818-1) Project (Project) is located on Bosley Lane approximately 1,800 feet west of its intersection with Horsethief Canyon Road and from the northern terminus of Mountain Road in the City of Corona, County of Riverside, State of California; Latitude 33.723975 and Longitude -117.43782; Section 19, Township 5 South, Range 5 West of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Alberhill, 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle. The Project is located within Assessor's Parcel Number 393-310-005.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-RIV-26265-R6), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, Mission Pacific Land Company as represented by John Abel.

The Project is limited to the widening of Horsethief Canyon Creek corridor to approximately 300 feet wide. This includes the existing Cow Canyon Creek corridor, which is a tributary to Horsethief Canyon Creek. The corridor will be widened to re-establish a new wider natural floodplain to convey the 100-year flood event for both creeks and allow wildlife movement through the corridor. The widening of the existing corridor will require temporary impacts to several locations along the periphery of existing streambed and riparian habitat. The newly established floodplain will be restored with native Riversidean alluvial fan sage scrub and riparian habitat.

The Project also proposes to decommission and remove the Bosley Lane roadway crossing in its entirety where it crosses Horsethief Canyon Creek. The removal of Bosley Lane will entail breaking up the existing asphalt, removing/disposing of the asphalt and other fill material, and recontouring the area to re-establish the flow-through creek condition and transition natural grades. Riprap lined slopes will be created on either side of the newly widened and re-established floodplain at this location per the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (RCFC & WCD) facility design. Permanent impacts downstream of Bosley Lane are included in this Agreement to address future, routine maintenance activities within two separate RCFC & WCD easements along/within the riprap lined slopes and re-established floodplain areas.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on October 25, 2023, and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project **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. CDFW considered the **Mitigated Negative Declaration** prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was** adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings **were not** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office

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Signature: _____ Date: 10/25/2023

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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____