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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Notice of Exemption

To:	**From:**
Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division P.O. Box 942896, Sacramento, CA 94296

Project Title: Friends of El Mirage – Restoration, El Mirage and Stoddard Valley Subregions

Project Applicant: Friends of El Mirage

Project Location – Specific: El Mirage and Stoddard Valley Subregions

Project Location – City: near Victorville   **Project Location – County:** San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project funds restoration activities in existing OHV-managed areas including restoration planning; active restoration involving chunking/ripping, vertical mulching, horizontal mulching/camouflage, rock scattering, plant propagation, planting, culvert removal, soil stabilization, erosion control, and illegal route removal; installation of signage, fencing and barriers; monitoring; and public outreach. The project will not expand existing facility use or operations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Friends of El Mirage

Exempt Status: (*check one*)

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption (CE). 15301 Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE class listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above. No exceptions to the exemption apply to this project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: **Area Code/Telephone/Extension:**
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____Jon O'Brien_____   ___1/26/2024_____
Signature   Date:

☒ Signed by Lead Agency   Date received for filing at OPR:

☐ Signed by Applicant