

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Kern River Canal Backup Weir Reconstruction (Streambed Alteration No. EPIMS-KER-22071-R4)

Project Location: The Project will occur within the Kern River, on both sides of the Coffee Road Bridge, within the City of Bakersfield, Kern County; Section 33, Township 29 South, Range 27 East; USGS 7.5-Minute Quad Gosford, MDBM; centered at approximately Latitude 35.363500 N, Longitude -119.091047 W; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 502-010-41-00-1, 501-010-16-02-0, 501-010-17-02-3, 501-010-18-01-7, 502-010-42-00-4, 502-010-35-00-4, 502-010-24-00-2, 502-010-05-00-7, and unassigned parcels.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-22071-R4, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Applicant, City of Bakersfield.

The Project includes activities related to replacement of the Kern River Backup Weir. Activities include demolition and removal of an existing concrete weir, retaining wall, riprap, and sheet piling, and construction of a new weir system and recontouring of the Kern River channel bed. The Agreement does not authorize the diversion of flow from the Kern River following construction.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

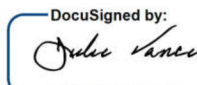
Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Bakersfield

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302)

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project is exempt as it consists of the replacement of existing structures, will be located on the same site, and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity. The Project will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-22071-R4.

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