## **Notice of Exemption**

To:

Office of Planning and Research CEQA Submit



Department of Fish and Wildlife Inland Deserts Region 3602 Inland Empire Blvd C-220 Ontario, CA 91764



California Department of Transportation 500 South Main Street Bishop, CA 93514



**Project Title:** Westgard Shoulder Protection Project, Second Amendment of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-INY-15275-R6

**Project Location (Inyo County):** The project is located at an unnamed tributary within the Caltrans Right of Way and Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 016-160-03-00, 016-160-04-00, and 016-160-05-00, at 10 separate locations along State Highway 168 beginning at Post Mile 32.1 and ending at Post Mile 38.5, in unincorporated Inyo County, State of California.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has amended Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-INY-15275-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code, for the project applicant, the California Department of Transportation as represented by Katie Rodriguez. The project amendment is limited to the removal of Measure 2.19, which regulated work hours of project related construction.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

## **Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption.	
Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (1530	11)

Reasons why project is exempt: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this project amendment is categorically exempt from CEQA review pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1, as the project as amended consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The proposed amendment meets the requirements of this exemption; therefore no further CEQA review is required.

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