

## Notice of Exemption

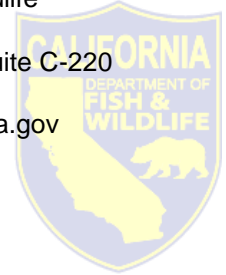
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**Project Title:** TD1751283 Owens River Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project (Notification of Lake and Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MOO-35104-R6).

**Project Location (Mono County):** The project is located within wetlands of the Owens River floodplain, approximately nine miles east of the intersection of U.S. Route 395 and Owens River Road on private land. The site is in the County of Mono, State of California; Latitude 37.734790, Longitude -118.806651.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MOO-35104-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison.

The project is limited to removing and replacing two deteriorated poles (Poles 2058251E and 2058252E) with accompanying metal caissons, 10 feet northeast of the existing poles. The poles will be accessed by 940 feet of overland truck travel and set by helicopter. No vegetation trimming or removal are expected to occur.

Project activities described above are anticipated to temporarily impact 0.252 acres and permanently impact 0.001 acres of resources subject to Fish and Game Code Section 1602.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Southern California Edison

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.  
 Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Class 1, section 15301; The project is exempt because it includes the maintenance and repair of existing structures used to provide electric power. In addition, the Project will involve restoring deteriorated structures. All work will be performed with mechanical equipment.

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