

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: \_\_\_\_\_

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**From:** (Public Agency): Lahontan Regional Water Board  
15095 Armagosa Road, Building 2, Suite 210  
Victorville, CA 92394

(Address)

Project Title: Salt Creek Boardwalk Replacement Project

Project Applicant: Federal Highway Administration - Central Federal Lands Division

Project Location - Specific:

Death Valley National Park, Inyo County, California 92328 (36.590970, -116.989335)

Project Location - City: N/A

Project Location - County: Inyo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this Project is to restore the area surrounding Salt Creek that was destroyed during a flashflood in 2022. The work includes restoring 0.5-mile boardwalk, damaged access road, parking lot, and facilities (Enclosure 1). Temporary impacts to waters will result from temporary crossings using culverts. Permanent impacts to waters will result from permanent fill used to restore the boardwalk.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Federal Highway Administration - Central Federal Lands Division

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. State type and section number: 15301, Existing Facilities

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Water Board finds this Project to be categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CCR, title 14, Section 15301. Existing Facilities, for the repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of an existing facility with little or no expansion of use. A Notice of Exemption (Enclosure 3) was filed with the State Clearinghouse concurrently with issuing this WQC.

Lead Agency

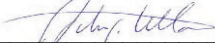
Contact Person: Cristina Sedano

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**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes  No

Signature:  Date: 9/05/2024 Title: Assistant Executive Officer

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_