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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**Title:** Letter of Non-Objection to Repatriate Four Artifacts

**Location:** Ocotillo Wells State Vehicular Recreation Area and eastern side of Highway 86, Imperial County

**Description:** Request to repatriate four artifacts to two archaeological sites within the OWSVRA and a State-owned school lands parcel to increase protection and decrease the possibility of removal by the public.

**Name of Approving Public Agency:** California State Lands Commission

**Name of Proponent (Person or Agency):** Ocotillo Wells District

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption:

CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15304)

**Reasons for exemption:**

Issuance of a letter of non-objection to repatriate artifacts in State-owned school lands and lands with a State-reserved mineral interest will only cause a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There are no unusual circumstances surrounding the project that will result in significant environmental impacts. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption applies.

**DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING AND POSTING BY THE  
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