

Notice of Exemption

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From:

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Project Title: Fairmount Park - Fairmount Lake Dredging Project (Notification of Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-RIV-46769-R6)

Project Location (Riverside): The Fairmount Park Dredging Project (Project) is located at Fairmount Lake in Fairmount Park, in the County of Riverside, State of California; Latitude 33.99601, Longitude -117.37515. The Project site occurs in the City of Riverside, just west of Market Street, south of State Route 60, and south of the Fairmount Golf Course. The Project is located within Assessor's Parcel Number 207-110-010.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed and issued Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-RIV-46769-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Riverside.

The purpose of this Project is to routinely dredge approximately 26,000 cubic yards of sludge and sediment from the bottom of Fairmount Lake. Best Management Practices (BMPs) include work area boundary delineation, pre-activity sweep, erosion and runoff control, cleanup activities, disposal guidelines, and decontamination requirements.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Riverside

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption: Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15304)

Reasons why project is exempt: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, this Project is Categorical Exempt from CEQA review pursuant to Section 15304, as a minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes and maintenance dredging where the spoil is deposited in a spoil area authorized by all applicable state and federal regulatory agencies. The proposed Project meets the requirements of these exemptions; therefore, no further CEQA review is required.

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