

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Riverside
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507

From: (Public Agency): City of Indian Wells
44950 Eldorado Drive
Indian Wells, CA 92210

(Address)

Project Title: Low Flow Channel Improvement

Project Applicant: City of Indian Wells

Project Location - Specific:

Within the Whitewater River Channel, south of Fred Waring Dr., east and west of Eldorado Dr., extending to the easterly edge of the Indian Wells Golf Resort.

Project Location - City: Indian Wells Project Location - County: Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The low-flow channel that runs down the middle of the Whitewater River Channel was damaged during rain events in 2019 and 2023. The City has applied for grant monies to improve the low-flow channel by demolishing the existing concrete and building a replacement channel. See attachments.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Indian Wells

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Indian Wells, Community Development Department

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: _____
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:


The Whitewater River Channel serves as a flood control channel that traverses Indian Wells. An important maintenance feature of the channel is the concrete "low flow" channel. The low flow channel was damaged in the Feb. 2019 rain event and subsequently in the Tropical Storm Hilary in Aug. 2023 and the City has applied for grant monies to reconstruct and upgrade the storm water management system.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Ken Seumalo Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-346-2489

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: 4/4/25 Title: PW Director

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: _____