

## Notice of Determination

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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2012111011

**Project Title:** Santa Ana Gardens Channel (F02) Improvement Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-ORA-23252-R5)

**Project Location:** The project is located at Santa Ana Gardens channel, just below W. Edinger Avenue south to the W. Warner Avenue, and in another segment between W. Hemlock Way and W. Segerstrom Avenue, in the City of Santa Ana, County of Orange, State of California; Latitude 33.860376, Longitude -117.854939; Section 11, Township 5 South, Range 10 West, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Newport Beach 1981 and Tustin 1981; Assessor's Parcel Number 408-466-19.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement ([EPIMS-ORA-23252-R5]), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, Orange County Department of Public Works.

The project is limited to the replacement of the earthen banks of the Santa Ana Gardens Channel with ungrouted riprap. Currently, the channel has earthen banks and an earthen invert, and is largely unvegetated except for sparse, non-native vegetation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on June 7, 2023 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the **Mitigated Negative Declaration** prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration/Negative Declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ DocuSigned by:  
*David Mayer*  
D700B4520375406... Date: 6/7/2023

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David Mayer, Environmental Program Manager

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