

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015101058

Project Title: Sterling Natural Resource Center (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0103-R6)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at the City Creek Bypass Channel bridge along Central Avenue between 5th and 6th Street, in the City of Highland, County of San Bernardino, State of California; Latitude 34.108861, Longitude -117.217667; Section 5, Township 1 South, Range 3 West, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Redlands Quadrangle California.

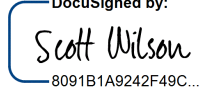
Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0103-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District.

The project is limited to the installation of a 54-inch wide, 300-foot-long half-inch thick steel casing, 17.5 feet below the existing grade, under the City Creek Bypass Channel at Central Avenue using a trenchless construction method (jack-and-bore). The steel casing shall be used to convey a regional recycled water pipeline (RRWP) as part of a wastewater treatment system. A drilling pit shall be installed at the north end and a receiving pit shall be installed at the south end. In the event of an issue with the jack-and-bore construction methods proposed, trenching within the 54-inch wide, 300-foot-long project area may be employed.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on August 19, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will / 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 environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were / were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were / were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final environmental impact report 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 Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature

Date:

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Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____