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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

State Clearinghouse Number: 2016041002

Project Title: Prado Constructed Wetlands Maintenance (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-RIV-52599-R6)

Project Location (Riverside County): The Prado Constructed Wetlands Maintenance project is located within the Prado Basin, north of the Prado Dam, along the Santa Ana River (SAR). The Project footprint reaches south toward the northeast intersection of California State Route 91 and 71, west of River Road, and south of McCarty Road.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed and issued Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-RIV-52599-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Orange County Water District.

The Project includes maintenance and operation of the Prado Constructed Wetlands through the following activities: (1) Erosion Repairs; (2) Reconstruction of existing facilities; (3) Trash and debris removal; (4) Water conveyance of structure repairs; (5) Sediment removal; and (6) Vegetation management. Maintenance activities will also include diverting water using a push-up dam.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on January 20, 2026, and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to Section 15096, subdivision (i) of the California Code of Regulations:

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 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** 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** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Final EIR 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.

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