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## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2004071045

**Project Title:** Mesa Verde Estates EIR (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-RIV-58944-R6)

**Project Location (Riverside):** The Mesa Verde Specific Plan Area 2 Amendment 2 (Project) is located at unnamed tributaries to San Timoteo Wash, intersected by Sandalwood Drive to the east and County Line Lane to the North, in the Cities of Calimesa and Yucaipa, Counties of Riverside and San Bernardino, State of California; Latitude 33.99613, Longitude -117.08431. The Project is located within the following Assessor's Parcel Numbers [APN]: 411-210-010, 411-210-028, 413-030-025, 413-040-013, 413-040-014, 413-040-017, 413-040-018, 413-040-020, 413-040-023, 413-050-009, 413-050-010, 413-050-012, 413-160-011, 413-200-003, 413-200-040, 413-200-042, 413-200-044, 413-200-048, 301-211-08, 301-211-02.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-RIV-58944-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Calimesa.

The Project is limited to a multi-phase development of 3,650 residential units, 4.44

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million square feet of business park, 250,000 square feet of commercial, two elementary school sites, open space and public/private parks, utility infrastructure, and roadways. Permanent impacts associated with Roberts Road, including the 98-foot-wide roadway, are associated with fuel modification activities, manufactured slopes, and a 5-foot buffer for long-term maintenance requirements. The Project includes construction of one clear-span bridge (169 feet long by 85 feet wide and approximately 65 feet from the bottom of the streambed) across the tributary to San Timoteo Creek (NWW-5A), known as the B Street Westerly Crossing. The Project will also avoid and preserve 16.2 acres of riparian/riverine resources by placing a deed restriction over these areas.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on February 18, 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** 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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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** 2/18/2026  
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