

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2019099105

Project Title: Path 46 Transmission Line Clearance Project (Project) (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SBR-50287-R6)

Project Location: The Project Location is in 5 distinct locations in the Mojave Desert, County of San Bernardino, State of California. The locations are along Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWPs) main valve line (MVL) 1 transmission towers. Location 1 is near MVL 1 transmission tower 129-4 at approximately latitude 35.03584 and longitude -116.58699. Location 2 is near MVL 1 transmission tower 159-1 at approximately latitude 34.77166 and longitude -116.98527. Location 3 is near MVL 1 transmission tower 150-3 at approximately 34.84027 and longitude -116.85805. Location 4 is near MVL 1 transmission tower 155-5 at approximately latitude 34.80388 and longitude -116.94111. Location 5 is near MVL 1 transmission tower 111-1 at approximately latitude 35.23888 and longitude -116.37555.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SBR-50287-R6, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602 to the Project Applicant, LADWP.

The Project involves establishing a set ground clearance of a minimum 25 to 30 feet between hanging transmission lines and ground or roads surfaces below. To meet this required vertical clearance, the Project Applicant will grade the ground or road surface below the wires to gain the required clearance. The Project Applicant will grade approximately 2.3-5.4 ft in depth to create the required vertical clearance. The excess soil obtained by grading will be stored onsite and spread along access roads within the Right-of-Way no further than 500 feet from either side of the work location and no more than 8 inches in depth.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the Project described above on May 28, 2025 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** 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.

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The Mitigated 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.

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Alisa Ellsworth

5/28/2025

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Alisa Ellsworth, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at LCI: _____