

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2020109001

**Project Title:** Antelope Valley Line Capacity and Service Improvements Program (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-LAN-45944-R5)

**Project Location (Los Angeles County):** The project is located within the channel of Weldon Canyon Creek, adjacent to San Fernando Road, in Los Angeles, County. Interstate 5 (I-5) runs adjacent to and over the project area and San Fernando Road runs along the western side just outside of the Project area; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 2601-003-901; 34.323633°N, -118.502461°W.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-LAN-45944-R5), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA), also known as Metrolink.

The project will add approximately 6,300 feet of new track between Balboa Boulevard and Sierra Highway within the City of Los Angeles. The improvement would require realignment of the existing track and Weldon Canyon Creek through portions of the site to accommodate the second track. This project will require excavation, temporary water diversion, and a new channel with rock slope protection. This project shall result in approximately 0.54 acres of permanent stream impacts and 0.48 acres of temporary stream impacts. Permanent impacts will be mitigated through a mitigation bank. Temporary impacts will be mitigated through on-site restoration.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on May 21, 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 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.

Signature:  Date: 5/21/2025

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