

Notice of Determination**- 1 -****To:**

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From:

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108
State Clearinghouse Number: 2021100136

Project Title: American Jerky Project (Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act (WJTCA)
Incidental Take Permit No. 1927-ITP-2025-011-06 (ITP))

Project Location (include county): The Project is located southeast of the intersection of Nisqually Road and Hesperia Road, Section 34, Township 5 North, range 4 West, USGS Hesperia, CA quadrangle within the City of Victorville, San Bernardino County.

Project Description: The Project is comprised of the development of 9.9 acres of undeveloped land into a single 238,798 square foot (SF) building to accommodate an American Jerky Company Dog Treat Manufacturing Plant and related site improvements including landscaping, parking, drive aisles, and utility infrastructure.

The Project will result in incidental take of thirteen (13) western Joshua tree (*Yucca brevifolia*), 12 dead and 1 alive, which is protected under the WJTCA and the California Endangered Species Act. The WJTCA ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of western Joshua tree that may occur as a result of Project implementation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [the lead agency / a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on the date signed below and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

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. [An environmental impact report / A mitigated negative declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [were / were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.

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- 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 Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW did, however, adopt findings to document its compliance with CEQA.
- 7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
 - Payment is submitted with this notice.
 - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
- Responsible Agency statement: The EIR prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature Heidi Calvert *Date:* 6/4/2025
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 Heidi Calvert, Regional Manager