

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

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108
State Clearinghouse Number: 2022040052

Project Title: Pacific Mesquite (Tract 60148)(Project) (Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act (WJTCA) Incidental Take Permit No. 1927-ITP-2024-019-05 (ITP))

Project Location (Los Angeles County): The Project is located west of 45th Street East and north of East Avenue R-8 within the City of Palmdale, Los Angeles County. The Project is located approximately 4 miles northeast of Lake Palmdale.

Project Description: This proposed Project involves the development of 31 acres of undeveloped land into a residential housing development composed of 127 single-family units and one detention basin.

The Project will result in incidental take of 436 western Joshua tree (*Yucca brevifolia*), 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.

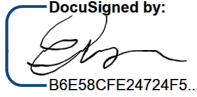
This is to advise that CDFW, acting as ☐ the lead agency / ☒ a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on the date signed below and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

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.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan ☐ was / ☒ was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.

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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 Mitigated Negative Declaration 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.


11/4/2025
Signature _____ Date: _____
 Erinn Wilson-Olgin, Regional Manager