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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:** 2023080701

**Project Title:** Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District (Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act (WJTCA) Incidental Take Permit No. 1927-ITP-2024-065-06 (ITP))

**Project Location (San Bernardino County):** The Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District 14-acre Park Project (Project) is located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Warbler Road and Sahara Road in the unincorporated Phelan Pinon Hills community in the county of San Bernardino; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 3066-261-07-0000, 3066-261-10-0000, and 3066-251-18-0000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has issued an ITP (No. 1927-ITP-2024-065-06), pursuant to Section 1927.3 of the Fish and Game Code to Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District as represented by George Cardenas.

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The Project involves grading to support construction efforts for the Civic Center project on the westerly adjacent 5-acre parcel and the installation of an infiltration basin within the 14-acre Park property. The grading area is 515,342 square feet. A total of 13 Western Joshua Trees within the extents of the civic center grading.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the Project described above on May 8, 2026, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described Project:

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. A mitigated negative declaration was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional 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 Public Resources Code § 21081(a).
7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4: **A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.**

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.

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