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Notice of Determination

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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2024020501

Project Title: Barstow International Gateway Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SBR-63221-R6)

Project Location (San Bernardino County): The Barstow International Gateway Project (Project) Project is located at the Mojave River, Lenwood Channel, and unnamed tributaries to the Mojave River, in the City of Barstow and unincorporated parts of San Bernardino County, State of California, Latitude 34.855550 and Longitude -117.155510.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SBR-63221-R6, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602 to BNSF Railway Company.

The Project consists of the development of approximately 4,400 acres of vacant land for the construction of a rail yard facility.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the Project described above on November 3, 2026, 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.

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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: DocuSigned by: Alisa Ellsworth 84FBB8273E4C480... *Date:* 11/3/2026

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