

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2024051128

Project Title: Interstate 10 Facility Restoration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-RIV-57118)

Project Location (Riverside County): I-10 near Calimesa, from Post Mile (PM) 0.0 to PM 4.40, in Riverside County. Coordinates: 33.975824, -117.047171.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-RIV-57118-R6), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, the California Department of Transportation, District 8.

The Project is limited to placing Rock Slope Protection and installing a trash capture device (Gross Solids Removal Device [GSRD]) near County Line Road eastbound entrance ramp. Removal of riparian trees will be required to install the GSRD device. As a result, the total temporary impacts are 0.020 acres, and permanent impacts are 0.032 acres.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on June 13, 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 Initial Study Negative Declaration (IS/ND) 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 not 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 California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration 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.

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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____