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## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2025061277

**Project Title:** New Fire Station #41 Project (Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act (WJTCA) Incidental Take Permit No. 1927-ITP-2025-028-06 (ITP))

**Project Location (San Bernadino County):** The New Fire Station #41 Project is located at 7238 Joshua Lane within the Town of Yucca Valley on Assessor's Parcel Numbers 0591-710-4 and 0591-620-8. The Project is located approximately 25 feet south of State Highway 62 at approximately latitude 34.122543°N, longitude -116.41502°W. The Project is bounded by State Highway 62 to the north, Joshua Lane to the east, Yucca Trail to the south, and existing development to the south.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has issued an ITP (No. 1927-ITP-2025-028-06), pursuant to 1927.3 of the Fish and Game Code to San Bernardino County. The Project is comprised of constructing a new fire station, consisting of 13,230

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square feet to house five personnel, one engine, and one paramedic truck through the development of 1.72 acres of previously graded land. Project Activities include construction of fencing, utility infrastructure installation, road improvements, grubbing and grading of the entire Project Site, pile driving, vegetation removal, and landscaping.

The Project will result in incidental take of 10 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 a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on March 17, 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). 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: **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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