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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**Project Title:** San Bernardino Kangaroo Rat San Jacinto River Grid Resiliency Project for TD1754978/TD2314201 AND TD1752875 (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2025-041-06)

**Project Location (Riverside County):** The San Bernardino Kangaroo Rat San Jacinto River Grid Resiliency Project for TD1754978/TD2314201 AND TD1752875 (Project) occurs within or adjacent to the San Jacinto River between Wilson Way to the west and the confluence of Dry Creek and Strawberry Creek to the east.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2025-041-06 (ITP), pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison (SCE).

The Project will: Replace 12 poles (1857036E/(A)2, 2230703E, 2230705E, 1857070E, 1857071E, 1857072E, 1857073E/(A), 1857074E, 1857075E, 1857084E, 1857083E, and 1857082E/(A)); with concurrent installation of new caissons at 6 poles (1857070E, 1857071E, 1857072E, 1857084E, 1857083E, and 1857082E/(A)); Replace 3 anchors (1857036E/(A)2, 1857073E/(A) and 1857082E/(A)); Install 1 new anchor (1857038E (A); Install conductor covers

**Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**

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**Exempt Status:**

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☒ Statutory Exemption. California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15269, subdivision (b) (c); Public Resources Code, section 21080, subdivision (b)(4)

☐ Categorical Exemption. Type – [Class (1-33)]; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section ([15301-15333])

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project includes emergency repairs to a service utility, including the restoration and/or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures necessary to maintain services essential to public health, safety, or welfare and other specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency, including installing added protective and structural stability measures such as conductor covers and caissons.

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