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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref.: A5051
Item: 67

Title: Issuance of General Lease – Other Use

Location: Approximately 7,087 acres of State-owned school lands, located on 16 parcels, including, Section 16, Township 32 South, Range 46 East; Section 16, Township 32 South, Range 47 East; Section 36, Township 31 South, Range 44 East; and Section 36, Township 31 South, Range 45 East, all within the Mount Diablo Baseline & Meridian; and Section 36, Township 12 North, Range 5 East; Section 16, Township 8 North, Range 2 East; Section 36, Township 8 North, Range 1 East; Sections 16 and 36, in Township 7 North, Range 3 East; Section 36, Township 7 North, Range 4 East; South half of Section 18, Township 9 North, Range 4 West; the North half of North half, Section 35, and the Northeast quarter of North half, Section 34, and the South half of South half, Section 26, and the Southeast quarter of South half, Section 27, all in Township 9 North, Range 2 East, San Bernardino Baseline & Meridian, within the deserts surrounding the greater Barstow area, all within San Bernardino County

Description: Authorize issuance of a General Lease – Other Use, beginning February 9, 2026, for a term of 5 years, for biological survey and data collection.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): California Desert Land Conservancy, DBA Mojave Desert Land Trust

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption

- CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15306)

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a 5-year General Lease – Other Use for the above-mentioned surveying and information collection activities will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activities will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption applies.



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