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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**Project Title:** Nipton Road Washout Repair Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SBR-58500-R6)

**Project Location (San Bernardino County):** The project is located 0.2 miles south of Interstate 15 at approximately latitude 35.459619 and longitude -115.471370. The project occurs on Assessor's Parcel Numbers 0573-011-04 and 0573-251-01.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SBR-58500-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Calnev Pipe Line, LLC.

The project includes using Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) to replace pipeline sections. HDD will be used to guide equipment to locations where removal and replacement of the pipeline will occur. Sections of pipeline will be cleaned, drained, and replaced and either removed from the landscape if they are exposed or abandoned in place if they are unexposed.

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

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**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15302 (b))

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project is exempt because it is an existing structure that will be replaced, where the new structure will be located on the same site as the replaced structure and the new structure will have substantially the same size, purpose, and capacity. The replacement of the existing structure with the new structure involves negligible or no expansion of capacity.

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