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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Hart Park Embankment Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-KER-58428-R4)

Project Location (Kern): The Project will occur on the banks of the Kern River in Hart Park, near the intersection of River Road and Reunion Drive, approximately 3.2 miles northeast of the City of Bakersfield, west-central Kern County; Section 36, Township 28 South, 28 East, MDBM; USGS 7.5-Minute Quad Oil Center; spanning from coordinates 35.450078, -118.912983, upstream to 35.451411, -118.907381; Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 093-172-18-00-5, 093-200-16-00-3, 093-200-20-00-4, 093-200-44-00-4, and 093-200-45-00-7.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-58428-R4, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code, to Kern County General Services.

The Project includes activities required to stabilize and repair up to 1,473 linear feet of the left (south) bank of the Kern River that was previously damaged during high flows resulting from storms in 2023.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:

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Exempt Status:

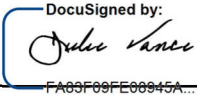
Statutory Exemption. State code number

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Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project consists of activities required to repair and reconstruct eroded stream banks. The Project will occur at the same site and result in the same purpose and capacity. The Project will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Stream Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-58428-R4.

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