

Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: *Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108*
State Clearinghouse Number:

Project Title: CalPortland Mojave Quarry Project (Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act (WJTCA) Incidental Take Permit No. 1927-ITP-2025-068-04 (ITP))

Project Location: The proposed project is comprised of 130 acres located south of State Route 58, east of US Routh 14, and west of Mojave in Kern County, California.

Project Description: The proposed project involves the expansion of an existing limestone mining operation for the manufacture of cement (State Clearinghouse Number 79012925).

The Project will result in incidental take of 654 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 [the lead agency / a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on the date signed below and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [will / 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. [An environmental impact report / A mitigated negative declaration was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [were / were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.

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- 6. Findings [were / 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 (check one):

- Payment is submitted with this notice.
- A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.

*The Mitigated Negative Declaration was approved (02/23/1979) *prior* to CEQA filing fees (State Clearinghouse Number 79012925). CEQA filing fees were approved on 9/30/1990.

Responsible Agency statement: 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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Krista Tomlinson
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 Signature _____ Date: 4/10/2026

for Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager