State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
P.O. Box 942896
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PROJECT TITLE: Issuance of Right of Entry Permit to Rincon Consultants

LOCATION: Heber Dunes SVRA

COUNTY: Imperial

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: A Right of Entry permit request has been received from Rincon consultants to conduct cultural and paleontological pedestrian surveys for the Ironwood Transmission Project. The issuance of a Right of Entry permit classifies as a project under CEQA. Per Rincon, this right of entry request is to allow for cultural resource and paleontological resource surveys for the Ironwood Transmission Project located in Imperial County, California. A 500-foot wide survey will occur in the project corridor consisting of visual pedestrian surveys. The collection of significant resources will not occur without the approval of State Parks, and no ground disturbing activities are planned.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Ocotillo Wells District

EXEMPT STATUS:
☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption
Class: 6 *Section:* 15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The proposed action complies with CEQA because it is: (1) categorically exempt under Class 6, Section 15306 of the CEQA Guidelines, Information Collection, as it involves data collection and resource evaluation without a major disturbance to environmental resources; and (2) there are no unusual circumstances or other applicable exceptions to the exemptions.

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