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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**Project Title:** Manual Site Cleanup APN 0462-313-11-0000 (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SBR-66509-R6)

**Project Location (San Bernardino):** The Project is located within and adjacent to an unnamed ephemeral stream, in El Mirage, CA 92301; Latitude 34.77785 N, Longitude - 117.66675 W; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 0462-313-11-0000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SBR-66509-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Hamdi Halim.

The approximately 9.6-acre Project area is located in El Mirage, San Bernardino County, California, at Assessor's Parcel Number 0462-313-11-0000, and include approximately 0.2-acres of ephemeral stream resources that will be restored. The Project is intended to remediate and restore stream resources impacted by prior illicit cannabis cultivation activities. Project activities are limited to trash removal, removal of deleterious materials, and removal of all structures associated with cannabis cultivation. Project activities shall be conducted without the use of heavy machinery as described in Measure 2.1 Appropriate Cleanup Activities and will be followed by a minimum five-year maintenance and monitoring period to ensure that performance standards and success criteria are achieved.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:**

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**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15304)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** CDFW, the Lead Agency, determined that the Project is categorically exempt pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15304. The Lead Agency determined that the Project meets certain qualifying criteria for the exemption. Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.1 (a), the Lead Agency is responsible for determining whether the Project is exempt from CEQA and that determination shall be final and conclusive on all persons, including Responsible Agencies. As a Result, CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, is bound by the Lead Agency's determination that the Project is exempt from CEQA.

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