Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

☒ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
San Bernardino County
385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Second Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0130

From: San Bernardino County
Department of Public Works
Environmental Management Division
825 E. Third Street, Room 123
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0835

Project Description

Project Title: Yard 15 Emergency Road Repairs: 2026-2027 Super El Niño

Project Location: All County-maintained roads within the Yard 15 service area in San Bernardino County, as shown on the attached project location map.

Project Description: The project consists of emergency repairs to County-maintained roads within the Yard 15 service area damaged by storms during the 2026–2027 El Niño storm season. Work includes, but is not limited to, removing storm-deposited sediment and debris; repairing damaged roadways, shoulders, erosion, washouts, culverts, and associated roadway appurtenances; and restoring safe access. Immediate action is necessary to reopen affected roads, maintain emergency and public access, prevent further damage, and protect public health, safety, and welfare. The work will address storm-related damage and restore the affected roads and associated facilities to their pre-storm condition.

Applicant
San Bernardino County
Department of Public Works

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Representative

Arlene B. Chun, M.S., P.E.
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Exempt Status: *(check one)*

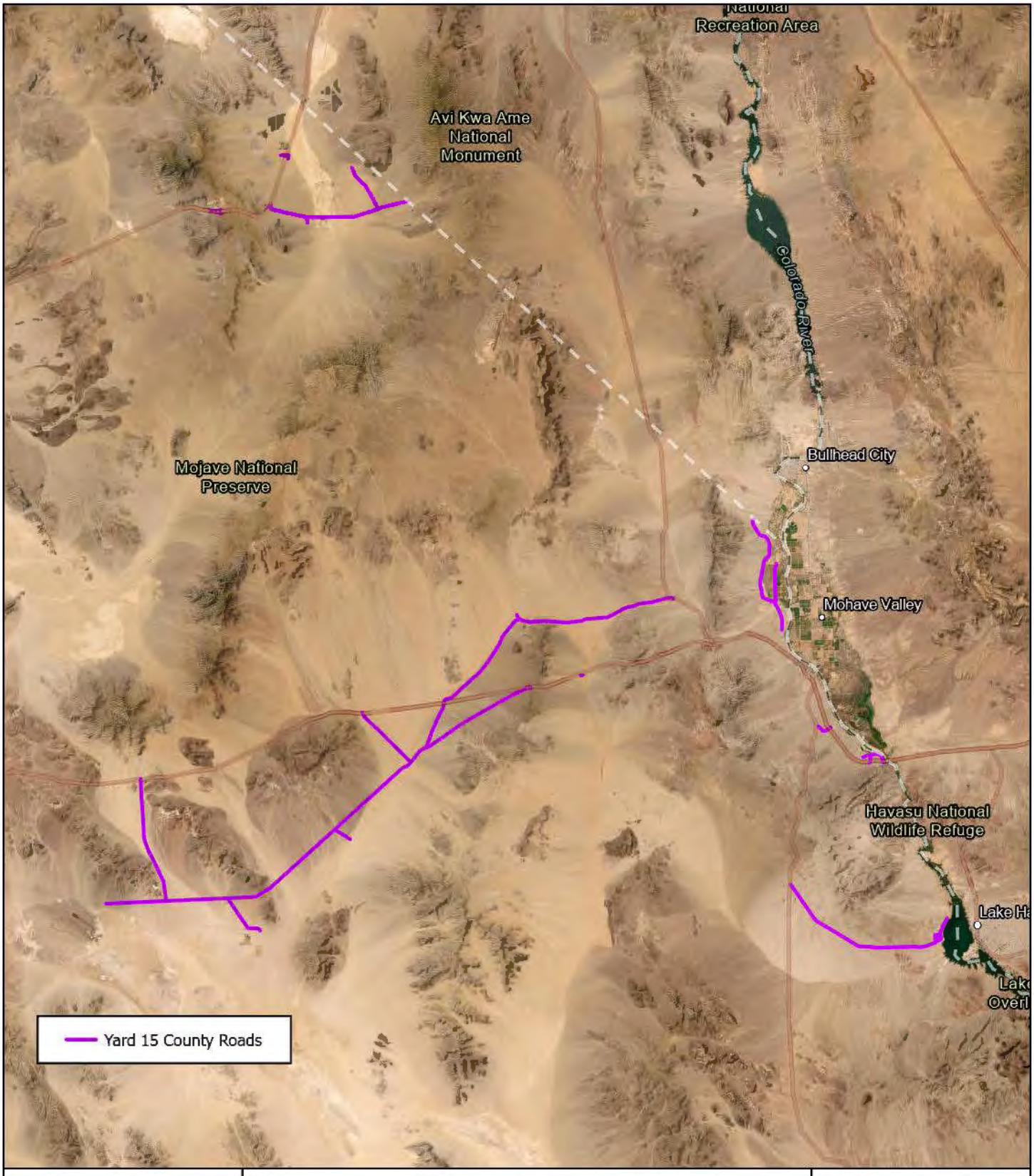
☐ Ministerial [Sec. 21080(B)(1); 15268];
☒ Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(B)(3); 15269(a)];
☒ Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(B)(4); 15269(b)(c)];
☐ Categorical Exemption. State type and section: _____
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____
☐ Other Exemption: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: Section 15269(a) of the CEQA Guidelines exempts the repair or restoration of facilities damaged by a disaster in an area where the Governor has proclaimed a state of emergency; Governor Gavin Newsom issued the Emergency Proclamation for the 2026–2027 El Niño event on September 21, 2026. Section 15269(b) exempts emergency repairs to publicly owned service facilities necessary to maintain services essential to public health, safety, or welfare. Section 15269(c) exempts specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.

Arlene B. Chun — Engineering Manager, Environmental Mgmt. Div. — 10/6/2026
Signature **Arlene B. Chun, M.S., P.E.** *Title* *Date*

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: N/A



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Yard 15
County-Maintained Roads

Needles, Goffs, Essex,
& Surrounding Desert Areas

2026-2027
Super El Niño

Coordinate System: NAD 1983 2011 State Plane California V FIPS 0405 Ft US

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