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SCH #: _____

Project Title: North San Bernardino Channel Project

Lead Agency: San Bernardino County Flood Control District

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Project Location: San Bernardino *City* San Bernardino *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The San Bernardino County Flood Control District proposes to construct the North San Bernardino Channel Project, which would include the construction of an 8-foot-high reinforced concrete rectangular ultimate channel to replace the existing rural, interim channel and three street crossings/culverts, as well as the relocation of various utilities (primarily at the street crossings). While the final design could incorporate a soft bottom, the impact analysis under CEQA conservatively assumes a hard-bottom channel for a worst-case assessment of environmental impacts until the design is finalized. The existing channel was constructed in the 1950s and intended to be a temporary flood control channel designed to provide flood protection for a 25-year storm event upstream and a 10-year storm event downstream. The proposed improvements aim to increase flood protection to a uniform 100-year storm event protection, enhance protection for areas within the 100-year floodplain, and mitigate flooding risks for nearly 300 structures and over 200,000 residents. The Proposed Project is located within the North San Bernardino Channel (formerly known as Devil Creek Channel) north of Kendall Drive, from Western Avenue to Little Mountain Basin (approximately 1 mile), in primarily the City of San Bernardino, San Bernardino County.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

MM AQ-1 would be implemented to provide substantial control of the fugitive dust emissions during construction and mitigate potentially significant impacts related to exposing sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations. MM BIO-1 would require a Qualified Biologist for construction monitoring. MM BIO-2 requires preparation of a Worker Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) for all Project personnel. MM BIO-3 requires a pre-construction survey for Crotch's bumble bee. MM BIO-4 requires pre-construction surveys for nesting birds if Project activities cannot occur outside of the bird breeding season, and that any active nests are monitored during construction. MM BIO-5 requires pre-construction surveys for western burrowing owl.
MM CUL-1 would develop a Worker Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) for
all personnel involved in project construction. MM CUL-2 would require a qualified archaeologist and local Native American monitor to be retained to monitor ground-disturbing activities. MM CUL-3 provides protocols to be followed in the event of the unanticipated discovery of cultural resources. MM CUL-4 provides protocols to be followed in the event of the unanticipated discovery of human remains. MM GEO-1 requires drainage and landscaping maintenance to minimize effects related to expansive soils. MM GEO-2 requires the preparation of a Paleontological Resources Mitigation Plan. MM GEO-3 would develop a WEAP to address paleontological resources. MM GEO-4 requires monitoring during ground-disturbing activities and provides protocols in the event fossils are discovered. MM GEO-5 requires the preparation of a paleontological resources mitigation and monitoring report.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

N/A

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board - Region 8
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
California Department of Transportation
City of San Bernardino