Notice of Exemption

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From: San Bernardino County
Flood Control District
Environmental Management Division
825 E. Third Street, Room 123
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0835

Project Description

Project Title: San Timoteo Creek Emergency Activities (Nov 2026)

Project Location: San Timoteo Creek upstream and downstream of Alessandro Bridge, on Alessandro Road, in the City of Redlands, San Bernardino County.

Project Description: Recent storm flows caused extensive erosion, knocked down vegetation, deposited sediment within the channel, and damaged the levees and channel invert. The emergency work involves, but is not limited to, removing storm-damaged vegetation within the historical maintenance limits upstream and downstream of the Alessandro Bridge; removing accumulated sediment and material from the channel invert; repairing eroded side slopes, levees, and the channel invert; and restoring a levee breach threatening the adjacent railroad, roadway, and nearby properties. The work is necessary to address immediate public safety concerns and prevent further damage to public infrastructure and adjacent properties. All work will be limited to the minimum necessary to address the emergency and will occur within previously disturbed maintenance areas.

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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: CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(a) as emergency repair and restoration work following Governor Newsom's September 21, 2026, declaration of a 2026–2027 El Niño emergency. 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. — 11/16/2026
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