

Notice of Determination

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Kern County
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108
State Clearinghouse Numbers: 2002051151, 2003041108, 2010031096, and 2010031109

Project Title: Cameron Ridge Wind Energy Project (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit (ITP)
No. 2081-2011-031-04, Minor Amendment No. 6

Project Location: The Project is located between the cities of Tehachapi and Mojave, in the vicinity of Oak Creek and
Tehachapi-Willow Springs Road, within Kern County, California.

Project Description: The Project involves the construction and operation of 26 wind turbines and associated infrastructure on
approximately 1,350 acres. This proposed Project involves a minor amendment to the ITP referenced above to extend the
expiration date of the ITP and the deadline to permanently protect the Habitat Management (HM) Lands by 3 years, from
January 1, 2017 to January 1, 2020.

The ITP as amended authorizes take of Bakersfield cactus (Opuntia basilarus var. treleasei), a species designated as
endangered under CESA. The ITP and Minor Amendments No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, No. 5 and No 6 (ITP, as amended) as
issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of species listed under CESA that may occur as a result of Project implementation.
CDFW issued the ITP, as amended, as a responsible agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), relying on
mitigated negative declarations prepared for the Project as approved by the lead agency, Kern County.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [ ] the lead agency / [ ] a responsible agency approved the above-described project on
4/24/19 and made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- 1. The project [ ] will / [ ] will not have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within
CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. [ ] An environmental impact report / [ ] A negative declaration was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [ ] were / [ ] were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [ ] was / [ ] was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [ ] was / [ ] was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings [ ] were / [ ] were not made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a).
7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
[ ] Payment is submitted with this notice.
[ ] A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
[ ] Responsible Agency statement: The Negative Declarations prepared by the lead agency for the Project are available to the
general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to
the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

Signature Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager Date: 4/24/19

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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