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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION (Public Resources Code section 21108)

File Ref: 4480.9; A2082 SCH#: 2010091044

Item: 42

Title: Sylmar Ground Return System Replacement Project

Proponent: City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

Location: Sovereign land in the Pacific Ocean, near the city of Santa Monica, Los Angeles County.

Description: The City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power constructed an underwater electrode array about 2 miles offshore directly on the ocean floor at a depth of about 100 feet below mean sea level. The electrode array is composed of 36 concrete vaults, 144 electrodes, marine cables, and other related structures. The new electrode array replaced an older array system that is now abandoned. The State Lands Commission lease amendment is for the removal of the older non-operational underwater electrode array and related structures.

This is to advise that the California State Lands Commission, as □Lead Agency ☒ Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on October 24, 2019, and made the following determinations regarding the project.

1) The project □ will ☒ will not have a significant effect on the environment.

2) An ☒ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared and certified pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

3) Mitigation measures □were or ☒were not made a condition of the approval of the project.

4) A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan \square was or \boxtimes was not adopted for this project.

5) A Statement of Overriding Considerations □ was ☒ was not adopted for the project.

6) Findings \square were \boxtimes were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The lead agency for the project, City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Mitigation Monitoring Program and approved the project on August 2, 2016, and prepared an Addendum Dated August 2018. The California State Lands Commission has considered the EIR and Addendum as prepared for this project by City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. The EIR, Addendum, and the record of project approval may be examined at the above shown California State Lands Commission Sacramento office address.

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