

Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2011021051

Project Title: BAR 13 Solar Element of the Catalina Renewable Energy Project; Amendment 5 of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2014-0130-R4, as amended.


Project Location (include county): The Project is located south of Aqueduct Road, west of 120th Street W, east of 135th Street W, and north of Dawn Road, approximately 11 miles northwest of the town of Rosamond, in unincorporated Kern County, California.

Project Description: California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is executing Amendment 5 of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2014-0130-R4, as amended, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Project applicant, BAR 13 Solar, LLC. The applicant proposes to construct 16 at-grade road crossings and installation of underground electrical lines through 6 unnamed ephemeral streams within the Project site, impacting 1,126 linear feet of stream and 0.323 acres that are within Mojave creosote bush scrub, Joshua tree woodland, and Mojave mixed woody shrub communities. Amendment 5 extends the timeline to complete the Habitat Mitigation lands package from December 6, 2019 to February 6, 2021.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on 12/13/19 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project 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. CDFW considered the addendum to an environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The addendum to the final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature 

Date: 12/13/19

Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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