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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015061016

Project Title: Lakeview Pipeline Shutdown Dewatering Project

Project Location: The release point is located at latitude 33.830685°, longitude -117.143973° along the Lake view Pipeline at the San Jacinto River crossing in Riverside County, California. The dewatering discharge location is approximately 1.5 miles southeast of Lake Perris. Water will flow from three culverts into the San Jacinto River and flow 10 miles to Canyon Lake. The dewatering location is within Townships 4S, Range 3W, Section 12 on the U.S. Geological Surveys (USGS) Perris 7.5 minute series quadrangle topographic map; Assessor's Parcel Number: 308-150-009.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-RIV-16158-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) as represented by Ms. Jennifer Harriger. The Project is limited to the shutdown and dewatering event of the Lakeview Pipeline (Project). Dewatering is expected to begin March 11, 2021 and continue through March 13, 2021. Dewatering activities typically involve 1 to 2 crew members and staging of a utility truck with generator adjacent to a structure. Once flow into the pipeline has stopped, a crew will open valves at Station 2256+20 blowoff structure; water will flow from the blowoff structure via gravity through an underground pipe for approximately 75-feet before releasing through three concrete culverts onto a concrete apron for approximately 100-feet. Water will flow over the concrete apron into the San Jacinto River. Remaining water in the pipeline will be pumped through two six-inch flexible hoses and discharged onto the concrete apron.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on March 10, 2021 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 mitigated negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. 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 not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The mitigated negative declaration 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.

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	Scott Wilson		3/11/2021
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Scott Wilson, Environmental Program Manager			
Date Received for filing at OPR:			