## **Notice of Determination**

April **To:**Office of Planning and Research
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018021044

Project Title: I-15 Corridor Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SBR-32217-R6)

**Project Location (San Bernardino County):** The I-15 Corridor Project (Project) is located within Day Creek, a tributary to the Santa Ana River, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California; Latitude 33.995077, Longitude -117. 550671.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-SBR-32217-R6), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (Permittee) as represented by Sal Chavez.

The Project is limited to the construction of adding two Express Lanes in each direction along the I-15 corridor between State Route (SR-) 60 and SR-210, adding one Express Lane in each direction between Cantu-Galleano Ranch Road and SR-60, adding one Express Lane in each direction between SR-210 and Duncan Canyon Road, adding one Auxiliary Lane in each direction between SR-60 and I-10, and adding one Auxiliary Lane in the northbound direction between Fourth Street and Foothill Boulevard.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on April 27, 2023, 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).
- Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 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 a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature:

Date:

5/4/2023

Kim Freeburn, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: