## **Notice of Determination**

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## From:

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018081028

**Project Title:** Mission Boulevard Bridge Replacement at Santa Ana River Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-RIV-32032-R6)

**Project Location (County of Riverside):** The project is located along Mission Boulevard where it crosses the Santa Ana River between the Cities of Jurupa Valley and Riverside, in Riverside County, State of California; Latitude 33°59'27" N and Longitude 117°23'37" W; Township 2 South, Range 5 West U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Riverside West, 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle. The Project is located within Assessor's Parcel Numbers [APN] 179-340-003, 179-330-008, 179-340-004, 181-220-008, 187-080-012, 181-220-016, 179-330-009, and 187-080-001.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-RIV-32032-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Project Applicant, Riverside County Transportation Department, as represented by Jan Bulinski.

The Project is limited to the demolition and replacement of the existing Mission Boulevard Bridge (State Bridge Number 56C-0071) and widening of Mission Boulevard over the Santa Ana River. The existing 11 spans of the bridge and two abutments will be removed and replaced with five spans and two abutments. The proposed piers will reduce the overall bridge footprint from 0.14 acres to approximately 0.02 acres within the Santa Ana River. The proposed project also includes the potential relocation of utilities, including existing sewer, water, gas, electric, communication, and overhead electrical lines. Construction of the project will require the diversion of the flow to provide access to construct the pier and removal of the existing bridge. Construction of the project will involve approximately 26,700 cubic yards (cy) of cut and approximately 25,6000 cy of fill.

The Streambed Alteration Agreement is being issued regarding the Project's impacts to fish and wildlife resources subject to Fish and Game Code section 1600 et seq. and associated compensatory mitigation requirements. The Project will permanently impact a total of 0.02 acres, add 0.74 acres of shade impacts and temporarily impact 6.72 acres of fish and wildlife resources pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1600 et seq. To compensate for temporary impacts to 6.72 acres and shade impacts of 0.74 acres of fish and wildlife resources subject to Fish and Game Code section 1600 et seq., the Project Applicant shall restore no less than 7.46 of in-kind streambed and associated habitat within the Santa Ana River onsite and 2.05 acres of streambed and stream-associated habitat within the Santa Ana River watershed offsite.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the Project described above on May 2, 2023, 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.

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- 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 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 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.

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