NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice is hereby given that the public agency named below has completed an Initial Study of the following described project at the following location:	
Public Agency:	Desert Water Agency
Project Name:	Snow Creek Village Surface Water Filtration Plant
Project Description:	The Snow Creek Village Surface Water Filtration Plant Project (the Project) consists of the construction and operation of a surface water filtration plant that will filter water sourced from Snow Creek.
Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	The Project is located on the existing Snow Creek Hydroelectric Power Plant site, which is on Snow Creek Road on Assessor's Parcel Number 522-100-018, in Snow Creek Canyon on the northerly slopes of the San Jacinto Mountains, in Riverside County, California.
This Initial Study was completed in accordance with the Lead Agency's Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such Initial Study, the Lead Agency's Staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment with incorporation of mitigation measures, and has therefore prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.	
The Project site IS on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.	
☐ The Project site IS NOT on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.	
The proposed project IS considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.	
The proposed project IS NOT considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.	
The proposed project WILL affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.	
The proposed project WILL NOT affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.	
A scoping meeting WILL be held by the Lead Agency.	
A scoping meeting WILL NOT be held by the Lead Agency.	
If the project meets the criteria requiring the scoping meeting, or if the agency voluntarily elects to hold such a meeting, the date, time and location of the scoping meeting are as follows:	
Date:	Time: Location:
Copies of the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and are available for public review at the Lead Agency's office, located at: 1200 South Gene Autry Trail, Palm Springs CA 92264	
The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration can be obtained in electronic format by contacting the Lead Agency.	
Lead Agency address: 1200 South Gene Autry Trail, Palm Springs CA 92264	
Comments will be received from March 12, 2019 to April 11, 2019.	
Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing, to the Lead Agency prior to April 11, 2019. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested.	

The Lead Agency will consider the project and the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration at its meeting at the following date and time, to be held at its Operations Center located at 1200 South Gene Autry Trail, Palm Springs CA 92264:

Date: April 16, 2019 Time: 8:00 am

If the Lead Agency finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. This means that the Lead Agency may proceed to consider the project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

Date Received for Filing:

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