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Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	From: California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division 1725 23rd Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95816-7100
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Project Title: OHV-related Maintenance and Operations within BLM Palm Springs OHV Areas

Project Applicant: Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Palm Springs South Coast Field Office

Project Location – Specific: Meccacopia and Chuckwalla Special Recreation Mgt. Areas

Project Location – City: NA

Project Location – County: Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project funds routine off-highway vehicle related ground Operation activities including signing, maintenance and repair of the designated open route system and facilities (e.g., roads, trails, signs, kiosks, physical barriers, maintenance and repair of equipment, trash removal, route sign maintenance). Trail maintenance activities include installing and repairing erosion control and retention features to reduce sediment loss and retain open water sources for animals. The project also includes activities that conform to the BLM PS-SCFO soil conservation plan and habitat management plan.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: BLM – Palm Springs South Coast Field Office

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption (CE). Section 15301 Existing facilities operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Activity not subject to CEQA review.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE class listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above.

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Date:

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at APR 03 2019

Signed by Applicant

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