

Notice of Exemption

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From: Department of Fish and Wildlife
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Project Title: SoCalGas Line 3000 (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0107-R6)

Project Location (include county): Two unnamed ephemeral streams in San Bernardino County near the City of Needles.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2018-0107-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Gas.

SoCalGas is proposing to restore and cover two exposed sections of existing natural gas transmission pipeline 3000 (L3000). Exposure 1 is located at 34.717980° latitude and -114.520609° longitude and Exposure 2 is located at 34.718390° latitude and -114.515520° longitude. In order to achieve the required cover over the pipeline (per Title 49, Part 192 of the Code of Federal Regulations) and to protect the pipeline from damage due to future storm events, vandalism, and corrosion, SoCalGas is proposing to place articulated revetment mats over the pipeline at each exposure site. The two pipeline exposures are each located in separate unnamed drainages that connect to the Colorado River to the east.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Gas

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1(b); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301(b)

Reasons why project is exempt: Section 15301(b) allows for the repair or maintenance of existing utility facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. The pipelines are being maintained and repaired in place.

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