Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2019069014

Project Title: Interstate 10 Blythe Pavement Rehabilitation, Environmental Permit Information Management System EPIMS-RIV-23941-R6.

Project Location (include county): The project includes project components at eight separate streams along Interstate 10, east of Desert Center and to the City of Blythe, in the County of Riverside, State of California; and are depicted on the USGS Hopkins Well, Roosevelt Mine, Ripley and Blythe Quadrangles 7.5 minute topographical maps. The westernmost location is at Gale Ditch; Latitude 33.608505°, Longitude -114.919329° and the easternmost location is at Rannells Ditch, Latitude 33.606673°, Longitude -114.668180°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-RIV-23941-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, California Department of Transportation District 8. The Project will impact 3.32 acres of Fish and Game Code section 1602 resources. The Project will construct install new rock slope protection, construct bridge drainage structures, and replace reinforced concrete box culverts and headwalls.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on 6/13/2022 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 / □ negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. Mitigation measures \boxtimes were / \square were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan 🗌 was / 🖾 was not 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 \boxtimes mitigated negative declaration / \square 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 Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Alisa Ellsworth, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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