

Notice of Exemption**To:**

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Project Title: Coachella Valley Water District Bank Protection Project Avenue 62-64 (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0155-R6)

Project Location (include county): The project is located on the west side of the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel (CVSC), between the Avenue 62 bridge and a point 500 feet south of Avenue 64, about 1.9 miles west of the unincorporated community of Mecca in the County of Riverside, State of California; Latitude 33.5985° N, Longitude 116.1211° W. Township 7 South, Range 8 East, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Mecca, California, San Bernardino Meridian.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2018-0155-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game to the Coachella Valley Water District.

The project is limited to the construction of approximately 5,500 linear feet of concrete slope protection along the west bank of the CVSC. Construction also includes construction of new outfalls for the existing Avenue 64 concrete channel, two existing agricultural drain pipe outlets, and the existing Waste Reclamation Plant 4 (WRP-4) outlet; the realignment of a Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) water main, and the construction of two access ramps. Riprap will be installed near the Avenue 62 bridge, the new outfall at Avenue 64, and the two agricultural pipe outlets.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Coachella Valley Water District

Exempt Status:

- ☐ Statutory Exemption.
☒ Categorical Exemption. Class 1, §15301 (d), Existing Facilities.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it involves the restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged facilities to meet current standards of public health and safety.

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