Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020090148

Project Title: State Route 178 Kern Canyon Culvert Rehabilitation Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS KER-19347-R4)

Project Location: The Project will occur at 16 culverts and two overside downdrains which convey streams and stormwater which accumulates within the right-of-way directly into the adjoining Kern River between post mile 13.6 and post mile 48.85 east of the city of Bakersfield in Kern County. The culverts were designated Locations 3, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 25, 31, 32, 34, 36, 38, 39, 40, and 63 by Permittee.

Project Description: In general, the Project Activities will involve culvert replacement, partial culvert replacement, and invert paving at 18 Work Area locations.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on $\frac{11/17/2021}{2020}$ 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 negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this Project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the Project.
- 4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan was 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 negative declaration prepared for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

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11/17/2021

Date:

Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Signature:

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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