

State of California – The Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation 1416 Ninth Street P.O. Box 942896 Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Cahuilla x Roadrunner Resource Fencing

LOCATION: Ocotillo Wells SVRA

COUNTY: Imperial

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: A low impact fence will be placed around the perimeter of a sensitive site located near the intersection of Cahuilla Trail and Roadrunner Trail. This is within an open riding area and directly visible from the highway. The fence will consist of woven wire, T-posts, and peeler core posts, and will enclose 24.7 acres.

Measures to be implemented to avoid impact may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Ocotillo Wells District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))

Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))

Statutory Exemption (Section

Categorical Exemption

Class: 3, 4 Section: 15303, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.4. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form, then it is exempt under CEQA §15303 -New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and §15304 - Minor Alterations to Land. There are no exceptions to the exemptions. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Construction or installation of park facilities such as...fencing." (Class 3, Section 15303),
- "Trail construction or realignment" (Class 4, Section 15304), and
- "Trail removal." (Class 4, Section 15304).

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