NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:	Kern County Clerk 1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1st Floor Bakersfield, CA 93301	FROM:	Indian Wells Valley Water District 500 W. Ridgecrest Avenue Ridgecrest, CA 93555
TO:	Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse Online submittal via CEQA Submit	FROM:	Lead Agency (same as above)

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources

Code.

State Clearinghouse Number

(If submitted to SCH): 2021100044

Project Title: 1.0 MG B-Zone, 1.0 MG C-Zone, 0.1 MG D-Zone, and 0.55 MG E-Zone Reservoirs Project

Project Applicant: Indian Wells Valley Water District

Specific Project Location – Identify street address and cross street or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 ½' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):

The Project is located at four District-owned sites containing existing District reservoirs. The Gateway Site is located at the southwest corner of East Javis Avenue and South Gateway Boulevard, on property identified as Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 343-120-46 in the City of Ridgecrest; the C-1 Site is located approximately 1.2 miles southeast of the intersection of College Heights Boulevard and Javis Avenue, approximately 0.3 mile northeasterly of Cerro Coso Community College, on property identified as APN 343-120-47 in the City of Ridgecrest; the Salisbury Site is located approximately 0.1 mile southeast of the eastern terminus of Belle Vista Street, on property identified as APN 343-120-44, east of the City of Ridgecrest, in an unincorporated area of Kern County; the College Tank Site is located approximately one mile southeast of the intersection of Javis Avenue and Sunland Street (RC 27) and approximately 0.3 mile southeast of Cerro Coso Community College, on property identified as APN 343-140-14, south of the City of Ridgecrest, in an unincorporated area of Kern County; with all Project sites located within Kern County, California.

General Project Location (City and/or County): City of Ridgecrest, Kern County

Project Description: The Indian Wells Valley Water District 1.0 MG B-Zone, 1.0 MG C-Zone, 0.1 MG D-Zone, and 0.55 MG E-Zone Reservoirs Project (the Project) generally consists of construction and operation of four welded steel potable water storage reservoirs on District-owned sites currently occupied by existing District facilities. The new 1.0 B-Zone (Gateway) Reservoir will be constructed on the District's Gateway Site, to the west of the existing 0.6 MG Gateway Reservoir. The new 1.0 MG C-Zone Reservoir will be constructed on the District's C-1 Site, replacing the District's existing 0.4 MG C-Zone Reservoir, to the north of the District's existing 1.0 MG C-Zone Reservoir. The new 0.1 MG D-Zone Reservoir will be constructed on the District's existing Salisbury Site, replacing the District's existing 0.1 MG D-Zone Reservoir, located near the southwest corner of the Salisbury Site. The new 0.55 MG E-Zone (College) Reservoir will be constructed on the District's existing College Tank Site, to the northeast of the existing 0.55 MG College Reservoir. A more detailed description of the Project is included in the Project Initial Study, which is available for review on the District's website at www.iwvwd.com/public-documents/public-reports and at Indian Wells Valley Water District's office, located at 500 W. Ridgecrest Boulevard, Ridgecrest, CA 93555.

lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the project. This is to advise that the (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency) has approved the above described project on November 8, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project: The project will have a significant effect on the environment. \boxtimes The project will NOT have a significant effect on the environment 2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared and certified for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency. \boxtimes A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency. 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project. Mitigation measures were NOT made a condition of the approval of the project. 4. A Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan was adopted for this project. A Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan was NOT adopted for this project. 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project. \boxtimes A Statement of Overriding Considerations was NOT adopted for this project 6. \square Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. \bowtie Findings were NOT made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. This is to certify that the Final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to General Public at: Custodian: Location: Indian Wells Valley Water District 500 W. Ridgecrest Avenue Ridgecrest, CA 93555 9 November 2021 Date: Signature: Donald M. Zdeba General Manager

Identify the person or entity undertaking the project, including any private applicant, any other person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the project, and any person receiving a

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

1.0 MG B-Zone, 1.0 MG C-Zone, 0.1 MG D-Zone, and 0.55 MG E-Zone Reservoirs Project 3 MG Water Reservoir No. 2 Replacement Project

INDIAN WELLS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT