

**Notice of Exemption**

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**From:**  
Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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**State Clearinghouse Number:** n/a

**Project Title:** City of Poway, Concrete Flood Control Channel Maintenance (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SDO-26442-R5)

**Project Location (include county):** The project is located within approximately 31,476 linear feet of concrete-lined channel at four project sites: Poway Creek, Rattlesnake Creek, Pomerado Channel, and Green Valley Creek, in the City of Poway, County of San Diego

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-SDO-26442-R5, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Poway. Project activities include annual inspection and maintenance of concrete-lined channels, such as removal of trash, debris, vegetation, and sediment, and repair of broken concrete lining. Containment Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be placed downstream of each section being cleaned, and include straw waddles for silt and debris retention, oil-only absorbent booms, and use of a vacuum truck for cleanup and post-activity BMP removal. Material will be delivered by a skid steer and/or small tractor located within the channel to the bucket of an excavator located outside the channel, and then to a dump truck, also outside the channel, for disposal. This Agreement does not authorize installation of new concrete lining or expansion of the footprint of existing concrete lining. This Agreement authorizes removal of newly-established vegetation only. That is, vegetation removal in channels left unmaintained for longer than 3 years is not authorized by this Agreement.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

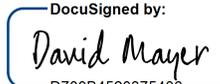
**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** City of Poway

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1 and 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301 and 15304)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project consists of repair and maintenance of existing facilities involving little or no expansion and maintenance dredging where the spoils are properly deposited per state and federal guidelines.

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