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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref: A2498

Item: 43

Title: Issuance of a Non-exclusive Geological Survey Permit – A2498

Location: Approximately 640 acres of State's 100 percent reserved mineral interest school land, Section 16, Township 30 South, Range 42 East, Mount Diablo Baseline & Meridian, State Parcel Number 170-537, located about 22 miles north of Kramer Junction, in San Bernardino County.

Description: Authorize issuance of a non-exclusive geological survey permit to conduct geological information collection for the period starting July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, on State's 100 percent reserved mineral interest school land.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Red River Creek Mining Group LLC

Exempt Status:

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CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2905, subd. (e)(3))

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a non-exclusive geological survey permit for the above-mentioned activities will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption(s) apply(ies).

DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING AND POSTING BY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH

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