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Notice of Determination - 1 -From: ○ Office of Planning and Research California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) **CEQA Submit** Inland Deserts Region 3602 Inland Empire Blvd., Suite C-220 Ontario, CA 91764 Contact: Julian Potier Phone: (909) 938-6112 Lead Agency (if different than CDFW) City of Hesperia 9700 Seventh Ave. Hesperia, CA 92345 Contact: Mark Milakovich Phone: (949) 413-3568 SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108 State Clearinghouse Number: 2022080248 Project Title: Poplar 18 Project (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2081-2022-080-06 (ITP)) Project Location (include county): The Project is located in the City of Hesperia, San Bernardino County. The Project is located south of Main Street, west of Mesa Linda Street, north of I-15 and Poplar Street, and east of U.S. Highway 395 and Lassen Road at 34.416544, -117.392503. Project Description: This proposed project involves the construction of an industrial/warehouse building and associated improvements on 17.87 acres of undeveloped land. Project activities include grubbing and grading of the entire Project site, trench digging, building construction, road construction, paving, and tree removal. The Project will result in impacts to 10.9 acres of western Joshua tree (Yucca brevifolia) habitat. The project is expected to result in incidental take of western Joshua tree, which is designated as a candidate threatened species under the California Endangered Species Act. The ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of species listed under CESA that may occur as a result of Project implementation. This is to advise that CDFW, acting as $[\Box]$ the lead agency $/ \boxtimes]$ a responsible agency approved the abovedescribed project on May 25, 2023 and made the following determinations regarding the above described project: 1. The project [will / 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. [X] An environmental impact report / A negative declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project. 3. Additional mitigation measures [were / were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project. 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [⋈ was / □ was not] adopted by CDFW for this project. 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project. 6. Findings [X were / Were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). 7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one): Payment is submitted with this notice. A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW. Responsible Agency statement: The EIR prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office. DocuSigned by: Heidi Calvert

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