Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research <u>CEQA Submit</u> From: Department of Fish and Wildlife Inland Deserts Region 3602 Inland Empire Blvd., Suite C-220 Ontario, CA 91764 <u>R6LSAReporting@Wildlife.ca.gov</u>



Project Title: Inyo County Parks and Recreation Department Routine Maintenance Agreement (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. 1600-2019-0061-R6)

Project Location (Inyo): The work authorized by this Agreement will occur in 12 County campgrounds and parks in the County of Inyo, State of California.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement (LSAA) Environmental Project Information Management System (EPIMS) Notification No. 1600-2019-0061-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Inyo County Parks and Recreation Department, as represented by Mr. Michael Errante.

Routine Maintenance activities performed at the County campgrounds and parks covered under this LSAA include the removal of sediment in and around bridges, culverts, storm drain outlets and inlets, and water diversion structures, stream channel beds, stream channel banks, and ponds or lakes; vegetation management including, limbing and trimming of branches and tree limbs, removing fallen trees, and removing dead (not dormant) trees and shrubs; removing vegetation from stream channel beds and from the banks with nonmotorized hand tools, mechanical vegetation cutters, shredders, string trimmers (a.k.a. weed-whacker, weed-whip), chainsaws, and mowing; maintaining existing facilities; and conducting minor culvert repair.

Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Inyo County Parks and Recreation Department

Exempt Status:

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Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301)

Reasons why project is exempt: The routine maintenance activities covered under this LSAA consist of the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public structures or facilities involving negligible or not expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

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