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Notice of Exemption

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County Clerk
County of Imperial
940 Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

From: (Public Agency):
County of Imperial
Planning & Development Services
801 Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

Project Title: Emergency Rehabilitation of the Picacho Road Bridge over the Yuma Main Canal

Project Applicant: Imperial County Department of Public Works (ICDPW)

Project Location – Specific:

The proposed project is located at Picacho Bridge over Yuma Main Canal (Picacho Road, Winterhaven, CA 32.7358 N, 114.6241 W and within APN 056-600-011-000)

Project Location – City: Unincorporated Project Location – County: Imperial

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed project intends to immediately assess and rehabilitate to restore the Picacho Road Bridge to an approved operational rating after its closure on March 3rd, 2025 due to the existing structural deficiency of the bridge, the infeasibility to enforce weight restriction, and the growing concerns of the safety to traveling public by the Department of Public Works, the Bureau of Reclamation and its managing partners. Additionally, on March 18, 2025, under Minute Order #15, the Imperial County Board of Supervisors approved the resolution declaring a state of emergency for the Picacho Road Bridge over the Yuma Main Canal, Bridge No. 58C0028.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Imperial County Planning and Development Services

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Luis Bejarano, Planner I

Exempt Status: (check one):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
☐ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: _____
☒ Statutory Exemptions, State Code Number: 15269

Reasons why project is exempt:

The subject project is exempt pursuant to Article 18 "Statutory Exemptions", Section 15269 "Emergency Projects", after being declared by the Imperial County Board of Supervisors on March 18, 2025, under Minute Order #15, that the Picacho Road Bridge stands in a state of emergency.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jim Minnick

Area Code/

Telephone Extension: 442-265-1736

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature:



Date:

5-12-2025

Title:

ICPDS

Assistant Director

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☒ Signed by Lead Agency☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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