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**FILED****Project Title:** Owens River Water Trail Project

Lead Agency: County of Inyo, Water Department

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County: Inyo

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KAMMI FOOTE, CLERK**Project Location:** County: Inyo City/Nearest Community: Lone Pine

Cross Streets: 6.3 river miles between Lone Pine Narrow Gauge Road and Highway 136 Zip Code: 93545

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 36 ° 37 ' 06.9 " N / 118 ° 02 ' 10.2 " W Total Acres:

Assessor's Parcel No.: N/A

Section: Twp.: Range: Base:

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 136, 395

Waterways: Lower Owens River, Lone Pine Creek, McIver Canal

Airports: Lone Pine Airport

Railways: Schools: Lo-Inyo Elementary, Lo-

**Document Type:**

CEQA: ☒ NOP ☐ Draft EIR NEPA: ☐ NOI Other: ☐ Joint Document  
☐ Early Cons ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR ☐ EA ☐ Final Document  
☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Draft EIS ☐ Other:  
☐ Mit Neg Dec Other:

**Local Action Type:**

☐ General Plan Update ☐ Specific Plan ☐ Rezone ☐ Annexation  
☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ Master Plan ☐ Prezone ☐ Redevelopment  
☐ General Plan Element ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Use Permit ☐ Coastal Permit  
☐ Community Plan ☐ Site Plan ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☐ Other:

**Development Type:**

☐ Residential: Units Acres ☐ Transportation: Type  
☐ Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees ☐ Mining: Mineral  
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees ☐ Power: Type MW  
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees ☐ Waste Treatment: Type MGD  
☐ Educational: ☐ Hazardous Waste: Type  
☒ Recreational: All-abilities non-motorized recreational water trail ☐ Other:  
☐ Water Facilities: Type MGD

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☐ Fiscal ☒ Recreation/Parks ☒ Vegetation  
☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☐ Schools/Universities ☒ Water Quality  
☒ Air Quality ☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☐ Septic Systems ☐ Water Supply/Groundwater  
☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☐ Sewer Capacity ☒ Wetland/Riparian  
☒ Biological Resources ☐ Minerals ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☒ Growth Inducement  
☐ Coastal Zone ☐ Noise ☐ Solid Waste ☒ Land Use  
☒ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Population/Housing Balance ☐ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Cumulative Effects  
☒ Economic/Jobs ☐ Public Services/Facilities ☐ Traffic/Circulation ☐ Other:

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Zoning Designation: Open Space — Recreational (OS-R). General Plan Designation: Natural Resources (NR)

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

The proposed project would provide recreational access to a 6.3-mile section of the newly rewatered, 62-mile Lower Owens River. The goal of the proposed project is to develop facilities for recreational users to enter and exit the river and allow unimpeded navigation for non-motorized watercrafts, such as kayaks, standup paddle boards, and canoes. Currently, sections of the ORWT corridor are non-navigable due to the channel being partially or fully obstructed by vegetation and other "occlusions" that emerged during a 90-year dry period. In order to establish the ORWT for non-motorized water craft, the proposed project would remove these occlusions by manual and machine methods. The proposed project would also

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # <u>9</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # <u>6</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
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<input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Wildlife Conservation Board</u>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development	
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### Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date May 24, 2018

Ending Date June 25, 2018

### Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Date: 5/20/2018

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.