

## **Notice of Section 401 Application Reception**

**File Number:** 362021-07

**Project Name:** Upper Santa Ana River Wash Habitat Conservation Plan, Covered Activities Permits Project

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**Project City:** Redlands and Highland

**Project County:** San Bernardino

**Applicant Organization:** San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District

**Applicant Name:** Daniel Cozad

**Waterboard Staff:** CNT

### **Brief Description of Project:**

Project Description: The basic and overall project purpose is to develop a programmatic permitting process that authorizes unavoidable impacts to waters of the United States and waters of the State for future projects identified as Covered Activities in the Upper Santa Ana River Wash Habitat Conservation Plan. The proposed projects include (1) new or expanded facilities planned in the Plan Area, and (2) activities related to the operations and maintenance of existing facilities or associated with new facilities to be constructed.

Project Activities: The Conservation District and Task Force members developed the Upper Santa Ana River Wash Habitat Conservation Plan that provides for the ongoing use of land and mineral resources within the 4,892-acre Plan Area while maintaining the biological and hydrological resources therein in an environmentally sensitive manner. A Federal Incidental Take Permit (ITP) was issued to the Conservation District in 2020 for Covered Activities; a State ITP is pending. The Conservation District and certain HCP Participating Entities now seek water quality certification and/or waste discharge requirements for the Covered Activities that are subject to Water Board regulations.