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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Diego, Planning & Development Services, will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an Environmental Impact Report in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for the following project. The Department is seeking public and agency input on the scope and content of the environmental information to be contained in the Environmental Impact Report. A Notice of Preparation document, which contains a description of the probable environmental effects of the project, can be reviewed on the World Wide Web at http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/ceqa_public_review.html, at the Planning & Development Services (PDS), Project Processing Counter, 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 110, San Diego, California 92123 and at the public libraries listed below. Comments on the Notice of Preparation document must be sent to the PDS address listed above and should reference the project number and name.

EL MONTE SAND MINING AND NATURE PRESERVE; PDS2015-MUP-98-014W2, PDS2015-RP-15-001, LOG NO. PDS2015-ER-98-14-016B. The project is a Major Use Permit modification and new Reclamation Plan to eliminate the approved golf course use and allow a new sand mining operation on the San Diego River in El Monte Valley. The site would be reclaimed with an end use as a nature preserve including recreational trails. The project is between El Monte Road and Willow Road approximately 0.5 to 2.25 miles northeast of the El Monte Road and Lake Jennings Park Road intersection, in the Lakeside Community Planning Area within the unincorporated area of San Diego County.

Comments on this Notice of Preparation document must be received no later than Monday, **September 14, 2015** at 4:00 p.m. (a 30 day public review period). A public scoping meeting will occur on Wednesday August 26, 2015 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Lakeside Community Center located at 9841 Vine Street in Lakeside, CA 92040. Members of the public, agencies, and organizations are invited to attend and submit comments to assist the County in determining the scope and content of the environmental information in the Environmental Impact Report. This Notice of Preparation can also be reviewed at the Lakeside Branch Library, located at 9839 Vine Street, Lakeside, CA 92040, and the Santee Branch Library located at 9225 Carlton Hills Blvd., #17, Santee, CA 92071. For additional information, please contact Robert Hingtgen at (858) 694-3712 or Robert.Hingtgen@sdcounty.ca.gov, or Jim Bennett at (858) 694-3820 or Jim.Bennett@sdcounty.ca.gov.