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### NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF PETITION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2073.3 of the Fish and Game Code, the California Fish and Game Commission (Commission), on November 18, 2021, received a petition from the Center for Biological Diversity to list Temblor legless lizard (*Anniella alexanderae*) as threatened or endangered under the California Endangered Species Act.

The Temblor legless lizard is only found in a few locations in the San Joaquin Valley in central California. The lizard is restricted to a small range estimated at only 1,720 square kilometers along the east side of the Temblor Mountains, from the western edge of Kern County north to western Fresno County. The lizard's preferred habitat is a sandy alkali desert scrub with plenty of loose soil and leaf litter for burrowing and hunting. Currently, the lizard is known to exist at only four sites, three of which are on private land.

Pursuant to Section 2073 of California Fish and Game Code, on November 29, 2021, the Commission transmitted the petition to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) for review pursuant to Section 2073.5 of said code. The Commission will receive the petition at its December 15-16, 2021 meeting, which will be held via teleconference and webinar. It is anticipated that the Department's evaluation and recommendation relating to the petition will be received by the Commission at its April 20-21, 2022, meeting.

For information about the petition or to submit information to the Department relating to the petitioned species, interested parties may contact Neil Clipperton, CESA Conservation Unit Supervisor, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, by mail at P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, California 94244-2090, telephone at (916) 373-6620, or email at [wildlifemgt@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:wildlifemgt@wildlife.ca.gov).

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