

Notice of Determination**Appendix D****To:**

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Public Agency: Dept Forestry & Fire Protection
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Lead Agency (if different from above):
Calaveras County
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 Contact: Gina Kathan
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2017052033

Project Title: Blue Mountain Electric Company Forest Biomass Plant

Project Applicant: Blue Mountain Electric Company, LLC

Project Location (include county): Calaveras County, Wilseyville. APN 12-011-014, T06N, R13E, Sec.14

Project Description:

CAL FIRE will provide grant funding to prepare the site for construction of the facilities and equipment that will produce electricity and biochar, a carbon negative byproduct of the advanced gasification technology. The facility is designed to create electricity, heat, and biochar from forest-sourced biomass. The entire Blue Mountain Biomass Project was evaluated by Calaveras County, including the preparation of an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and an addendum to the IS/MND. In November 2021, the County approved the IS/MND and addendum, and issued a Conditional Use Permit for the project.

This is to advise that the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has approved the above
 Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on October 27, 2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
 (date)
 described project.

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

<https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/Project/2017052033>

Signature (Public Agency):  Title: Assistant Deputy Director

Date: 10/28/2022 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____