

Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102079

Project Title: Taylor and Tallac Restoration Project - Phase One Aquatic Invasive Plants Removal (Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2022-0003-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at Taylor and Tallac Creeks and the associated marsh where the streams enter Lake Tahoe, in the County of El Dorado, State of California; approximately centered at Latitude 38.94214, Longitude -120.06550 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees); Assessor's Parcel Numbers 019-030-005, 019-020-005, 018-090-069, and 018-090-021.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has issued Restoration Management Permit Number RMP-2022-0003-R2), pursuant to section 2081(a) of the Fish and Game Code to the project Permittee, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

The proposed project includes restoration, management, operations, maintenance, and monitoring designed to benefit Tahoe yellow cress (*Rorippa subumbellata*, Covered Species) and other species in Taylor and Tallac Creeks and the associated marsh where the streams enter Lake Tahoe. The proposed project is expected to restore ecological processes and functions by eradicating and controlling aquatic invasive plants (AIP) to improve conditions for and reduce take of the Covered Species. Eradication of AIP will be achieved with the installation of 17.49 acres of benthic barriers within the Taylor and Tallac stream channels and adjacent wetlands. The Permittee shall relocate the Covered Species out of harm's way to reduce the level of mortality and ensure its recolonization through seed collection and storage, nursery propagation, and outplanting of nursery stems. CDFW has determined and expects that the Project will benefit, aid in the conservation of, and assist in the recovery of the Covered Species. This notice is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, issued the above-described Restoration Management Permit on the date signed below and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were / were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were / were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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The mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of issuance of the Restoration Management Permit as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature: _____ Date: 6/1/2022
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Kevin Thomas,
North Central Region, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____