
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21008 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

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From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region, Redding Office
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205
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Date: 22 June 2021

State Clearinghouse Number: 2005072045

Project Title: North Creek Crossing at Meriam Park Project (WDID 5A04CR00328)

Project Location - Specific: The Project area is located east of Notre Dame Boulevard and north of Little Chico Creek in the City of Chico, Butte County. The Project coordinates are as follows: Latitude: 39.737° and Longitude: -121.794°.

Project Location - County: Butte County

Name of Applicant:

Laurie Doyle
Affordable Housing Development Corporation
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Clovis, CA 93612

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project will construct 160 units of affordable housing, including infrastructure, in the City of Chico, Butte County.

The Project will consist of 20 three-story apartment buildings and one one-story community building situated on approximately 14.84 acres. Utilities to be installed include water, gas, electrical, internet, sewer, and storm drain system and associated infrastructure to be constructed include roads, sidewalks, and a bike path. All utilities and infrastructure will be tied in from the east side of the Project, therefore no crossing of other, currently unpermitted, areas of the preserve will occur. The Project will also include the installation of two bioretention facilities and a single outfall into Little Chico Creek, which will receive flow from the above-mentioned storm drain system. One of the

bioretention facilities will be a small feature near the intersection of Avenue "A" and Notre Dame Boulevard. The other bio-retention facility will be a long, linear feature on the north side of Little Chico Creek adjacent to the Little Chico Creek Greenway. These facilities are designed to minimize vector concerns at the detailed improvement plan stage of the Meriam Park Project. Both bio-retention facilities will be maintained by a maintenance district.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

This is to advise that the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on 18 June 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board considered the Environmental Impact Report as prepared by the City of Chico.
2. The Project will have a significant effect on the environment.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The Final Environmental Impact Report is available to the general public at: City of Chico, 411 Main Street, Chico, CA 95928

The record of project approval is available to the general public at: [Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's Adopted Orders Web page](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/)
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