

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2016081059

**Project Title:** Grant Lake Spillway Modification Project, Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MOO-20877-R6

**Project Location (Mono County):** The Project is located at Grant Lake Reservoir along Rush Creek, a tributary to Mono Lake, about seven miles south of the community of Lee Vining, in the County of Mono, California; Latitude 37.86219, Longitude -119.10379; Assessor's Parcel Number 014-040-004.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-MOO-20877-R6), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, for the Project Applicant, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

The proposed Project is limited to the construction of a new spillway approach channel located just south of the existing Grant Lake Reservoir spillway; placement of rip rap along the spillway channel; the replacement of the existing Arizona crossing with a new bridge consisting of three 14-foot wide by 20-foot long cast-in place concrete box culverts; the removal and replacement of the existing 10-foot wide dirt road to the east of the concrete spillway with a new 20-foot wide dirt road; construction of a new 15-foot wide by 1,600-foot long dirt access road on the west side of the new spillway channel; installation of two new utility power poles (40-50 feet in height); construction of a new 12-foot by 12-foot control building near the spillway; construction of a new 80-foot by 60-foot concrete pad adjacent to the new spillway; construction of an access ramp downstream of the stilling basin (740 feet long, 15 feet high, 16 feet wide); and clearing and grubbing of areas used for staging equipment and to store materials.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the Project described above on June 30, 2023, 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** prepared by the Lead Agency for this Project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the Project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was** adopted by CDFW for this Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this Project.
6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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The Mitigated 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 project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_