

Notice of Determination**- 1 -****To:**

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From:

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Lead Agency

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018081101

Project Title: State Route 190 Tulare Culvert Replacement Project (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2020-051-04 (ITP)).

Project Location: The Project involves the replacement of two culverts on State Route 190 between the communities of Springville and Camp Nelson in Tulare County. Culvert 3 is located near post mile 36.90 and Culvert 4 is located at 36.92.

Project Description: At each of the two Project Work Areas, existing pipe culverts will be removed and replaced with new cast-in-place concrete cement box culverts with headwalls. The Project will result in take of Springville clarkia (*Clarkia springvillensis*) in association with the Project-related ground disturbance and the required seed and seed bank collection and translocation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [the lead agency / a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on 7/21/2021 and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project will / 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. An environmental impact report a negative declaration was prepared by the lead agency for the Project.
3. Additional 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 not made/ were made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW did, however, adopt findings to document its compliance with CEQA.
7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
 - Payment is submitted with this notice
 - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
- Responsible Agency statement: The IS/MND prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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Bob Stafford

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Signature**Date:** 7/21/2021for Julie A. Vance, *Regional Manager*

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____