

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FINDINGS FOR
LAKE OR STREAMBED ALTERATION AGREEMENT EPIMS NOTIFICATION NO. ELD-18300 R2**

Introduction

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (Guidelines) (Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, § 15000 et seq) require that no public agency shall approve or carry out a project for which an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been completed that identifies one or more significant effects, unless the agency makes the following finding as to each significant effect. The following finding is relevant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's (CDFW) project approval:

- Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project which mitigate or avoid the significant effects on the environment.

CDFW is a responsible agency under CEQA with respect to the project because prior environmental review and approval of the project by the lead agency, El Dorado County (County) (see generally Pub. Resources Code, § 21067; CEQA Guidelines, § 15367). The County analyzed the environmental impacts associated with implementation of the project in an EIR (SCH No. 86122912) and approved the project on July 13, 1988. In so doing, The County imposed mitigation and avoidance measures for impacts to biological resources as conditions of project approval and concluded that project-related impacts to biological resources could be substantially lessened with implementation of mitigation and avoidance measures, such that the impacts would be less than significant.

CDFW is entering into Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement (Agreement) EPIMS Notification No. ELD-18300 R2 with the Parker Development Company. The project is located on Allegheny Creek, in the County of El Dorado, State of California, located in portions of Latitude 38.693033, Longitude -121.054803; Latitude 38.694096, Longitude -121.051445; Latitude 38.693396, Longitude -121.049429; and Latitude 38.693488, Longitude -121.048551.

The Project will consist of the grading of approximately 1.09 acres within the existing oak woodland and riparian area along Allegheny Creek and an unnamed intermittent drainage to allow for the installation of a pedestrian trail and three culverts. The pedestrian trail will be five-feet wide with a one-foot-wide shoulder on either side. Two culverts will be approximately 7 foot long, with a 24-inch diameter and one culvert will be approximately 7 foot long, with a 30-inch diameter. The culverts will be comprised of high-density polyethylene and sized to allow for future overland flow of stormwater.

Findings

CDFW has considered the EIR, adopted by the County and has independently concluded that the Agreement should be issued under the terms and conditions specified therein. In this regard, CDFW hereby adopts the findings of the County, as set forth in the EIR insofar as they pertain to the project's impacts on biological resources within CDFW's discretionary authority pursuant to Fish and Game Code sections 1600-1616.

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