

**Notice of Determination**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2015111006

**Project Title:** Porterville Intersection Improvements Project (EPIMS No. TUL-26401-R4)

**Project Location:** The Project will occur at a culvert along Westwood Street approximately 0.64 miles south of the City of Porterville, in Tulare County. Project-related activities will occur near latitude 36.051920, longitude, -119.070919 on the border of Section 33, Township 21 South, Range 27 East; and Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 27 East Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian. The Project Area can be located on the Porterville, California 7.5-minute quadrangle United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic map.

**Project Description:** The Project involves the improvements to the existing, approximately 87-foot-long culvert system located north of SR 190, on Westwood Street. The two, existing 4-foot by 6-foot elliptical concrete culvert pipes will be extended to the east and the west of the crossing, and the existing headwall and weir end treatments will be removed and replaced to accommodate the new culvert dimensions. The Project will result in approximately 4,250 square feet of permanent impacts in association with the culvert pipe extensions, the new end treatments, and the concrete channel lining. The Project will also result in a total of 0.3 acres square feet of temporary impacts, resulting from foot traffic, the use of heavy equipment, and vegetation removal.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on 7/27/2022 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.

The mitigated negative declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

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*Bob Stafford*

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Date: 7/27/2022

For Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

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