

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2010072049

Project Title: Hacienda and Deep Gulch Remediation Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SCL-24692-R3)

Project Location (Santa Clara County): The Project is located within the Almaden Quicksilver County Park. The coordinates for the approximate center of the Project are 37.17085° N latitude and -121.82661° W longitude (NAD 83). The Assessor's Parcel Numbers are 583-23-019 and 583-20-004.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-SCL-24692-R3, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, County of Santa Clara.

The Project purpose is to remediate mercury releases into the Guadalupe River watershed through removal of mercury-containing baked calcine ore. The Project is limited to removal of approximately 2,860 cubic yards of calcines, and related stream bank protection and restoration, along Alamitos Creek and Deep Gulch.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 10/4/2022 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. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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