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**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

**Subject: Review of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Castle Crags State Park Root Creek Drainage Forest Fuels Management and Public Safety Improvement Project, State Clearinghouse Number 2019059070, Shasta County**

Dear Ms. Ladd:

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) has reviewed the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) dated May 2019, for the above-referenced project (Project). As a trustee for the State's fish and wildlife resources, the Department has jurisdiction over the conservation, protection, and management of fish, wildlife, native plants, and their habitat. As a responsible agency, the Department administers the California Endangered Species Act and other provisions of the Fish and Game Code that conserve the State's fish and wildlife public trust resources. The Project proposes to conduct forest fuel treatments within the Root Creek Drainage and reestablish a secondary emergency access road exiting Vista Point. The Project includes hand and mechanical thinning, prescribed burns, pile burns, ongoing vegetation management and herbicide application, grading to reestablish the secondary emergency access road, and a culvert replacement in Root Creek.

Based on the mitigation measures incorporated into the Project, the Department has no comment. If the Project description changes in any way or additional biological resource information becomes available, the Department should be notified and provided an opportunity to offer comments regarding the updated information. The Department requests that copies of the preconstruction surveys be sent to the following address: California Department of Fish and Wildlife, ATTN: CEQA, 601 Locust Street, Redding, CA 96001. If any special-status species are found during surveys, the Department requests that CNDDDB forms be filled out and sent to Sacramento and a copy of the form be sent to the Regional office at the above address. Instructions for providing data to the CNDDDB can be found at: <https://wildlife.ca.gov/Data/CNDDDB/Submitting-Data>.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (530) 225-2779, or by e-mail at [Amy.Henderson@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:Amy.Henderson@wildlife.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Henderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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