

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2019079057

Project Title: Mountain Tunnel Improvements Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0243-R4)

Project Location: The Project will occur at eight locations on road crossings on nine unnamed tributaries to the Tuolumne River and an associated wetland at the Mountain Tunnel, in the central Sierra Nevada Mountain Range near the town of Groveland, Tuolumne County. The Mountain Tunnel Improvements Project begins at Early Intake Reservoir on the Tuolumne River and extends 19 miles west to Priest Reservoir near the town of Moccasin; Locations are at Township 1 South, Range 19 East, Section 31, 7.5 Minute Quad Moccasin; Township 1S, Range 17E, Sections 25 and 27, Township 1S, Range 18E, Section 30, 7.5 Minute Quad Jawbone Ridge, MDB&M; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 057-220-001, 066-120-010, 066-250-029, 066-240-002, and 068-140-016.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0243-R4, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission.

The Project involves improvement and installation of drainage facilities associated with the MTIP. Work will include installation, replacement, and extension of culverts associated with existing roads.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on 11/19/2020 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.

Signature  **Date:** 11/19/2020

Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____