

## Notice of Determination

**To:**  
Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation  
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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2019100230

**Project Title:** Lower Yuba River at Daguerre Point Nature-Like Fishway / Yuba River Resilience Initiative Agreement (project)

**Project Location (Yuba County):** Lower Yuba River at Daguerre Point in Yuba County, CA 95935 (map attached)

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed the Yuba River Resilience Initiative Agreement with Yuba County Water Agency (YCWA), which includes a Nature-Like Fishway and other improvements to fish passage on the lower Yuba River at Daguerre Point Dam.

The Nature-Like Fishway includes construction of a nature-like channel, relocation of the existing South Canal Diversion at Daguerre Point, replacement of the existing permeable rockfill fish exclusion structure with a modernized fish screen, filling of the existing South Canal Diversion head pond to create a sloping floodplain restoration area along the shoreline on the south bank of the river, construction and improvement of access roads, and operations and maintenance activities. CDFW has executed the Agreement but has not received any applications for regulatory authorizations for the Nature-Like Fishway, and by its execution of the Agreement does not take any steps to provide discretionary approval for the Nature-Like Fishway or project activities pursuant to its regulatory permitting programs.

CDFW, acting as a responsible agency, approved the project on April 18, 2025, 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 purview as a responsible agency executing the Agreement.
2. CDFW considered the program environmental impact report prepared by the State Water Resources Control Board and YCWA's February 12, 2025, CEQA memorandum pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were not** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings **were** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The program environmental impact report and CEQA memorandum prepared for the project are available to the general public at the office location listed above for YCWA. CDFW's record of project approval as a responsible agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature: Morgan Kilgour Date: 4/18/2025  
Morgan Kilgour, Regional Manager North Central Region

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

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Map of Lower Yuba River at Daguerre Point in Yuba County, CA 95935

