

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020010388

Project Title: Foothill Yellow-Legged Frog Offsite Mitigation for Yankee Jims Bridge (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. PLA-50236-R2)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at Upper Shirttail Creek, in the County of Placer, State of California; approximately centered at Latitude 39.145402, Longitude -120.768103 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees). The project site includes approximately 2.8 miles of Upper Shirttail Creek, spanning from Sugar Pine Reservoir to the headwater of Shirttail Creek, within the Tahoe National Forest.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number PLA-50236-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Placer County – Department of Public Works.

The project is limited to foothill yellow-legged frog (*Rana boylei*; northern Sierra clade) habitat enhancement activities on approximately 41-acres (2.8 miles) of Upper Shirttail Creek to provide compensatory mitigation for impacts associated with the Yankee Jims Bridge Replacement Project (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2021-076-02). The project will result in the reduction of 3-10 acres of vegetation within the 41-acre project area. Vegetation removal will focus on upland tree species and ponderosa pines 10-inch diameter at breast height or less that are located within 20-100 feet of Upper Shirttail Creek with 80% canopy cover or greater. Vegetation removal will be limited to 100 linear ft reaches of stream, with 200 linear ft segment breaks incorporated between treatment reaches to create a mosaic of microhabitats along the stream.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the above Streambed Alteration Agreement on the date signed below and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

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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 environmental impact report 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 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 final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of execution of the above Streambed Alteration Agreement as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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