

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020039034

Project Title: State Route 79 Construct Shoulders and Rumble Strips Project, Environmental Permit Information Management System EPIMS-RIV-29472-R6.

Project Location (County of Riverside): The project includes project components at fifteen separate streams along State Route 79, east of the City of Temecula and west of the unincorporated community of Aguanga, in the County of Riverside, State of California. The westernmost location is at Kolb Creek Latitude 33.46873°, Longitude -117.00698° and the easternmost location is at an Unnamed Tributary to Temecula Creek, Latitude 33.46402°, Longitude -116.91515°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-RIV-23941-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, California Department of Transportation District 8. The Project will impact 3.32 acres of Fish and Game Code section 1602 resources. The Project will construct install new rock slope protection, construct bridge drainage structures, and replace reinforced concrete box culverts and headwalls.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on April 4, 2023 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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