Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020049012

Project Title: Meadow Farms ADA (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-INY-41206-R6)

Project Location: The project is located from Postmile (PM) 117.35 to PM 117.83 on U.S. Highway 395 within the City of Bishop in Inyo County, California. The project spans from North See Vee Lane to North Barlow Lane and occurs within Matlick Ditch and North Fork Bishop Creek.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-INY-41206-R6 pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, the California Department of Transportation District 9.

The project will temporarily impact 0.04 acres of Fish and Game section 1602 resources and permanently impact two common ash trees. The project consists of improving the road infrastructure from PM 117.35 to PM 117.83, including building new sidewalks and bicycle lanes. The building of the new sidewalks and bicycle lanes will require a series of water diversions, culvert replacements, and relocation of Matlick Ditch.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on March 25, 2024, 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 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 not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The 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.

Signature:	kim Freeburn	3/25/2024 Date:
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