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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108.

**State Clearinghouse Number (SCH No.):** 2020090452

**Project Title:** Permit No. 6570-1 – Bruce Road Reconstruction Project

**Project Applicant:** City of Chico

**Lead Agency/Address:** P.O. Box 3420, Chico, CA, 95927

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Tracy Bettencourt, (530) 879-6903

**Project Location/City/County:** The proposed Bruce Road bridge is located about 1.45 miles east of Highway 99, and about 0.7 miles south of Highway 32, in Butte County.

**Project Description:** Approval of Permit No. 6570-1, under California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Article 3, Section 6, for work within an adopted plan of flood control: To remove and replace the existing two-lane, Bruce Road bridge (Caltrans Bridge # 12C0106) over Little Chico Creek with a new 96-foot long and 96.5-foot wide four-lane bridge structure. The new bridge will be comprised of a three-span, cast-in-place, reinforced concrete slab superstructure founded on pile-supported abutments and 16-inch diameter multi-column piers supported on spread footings. The new bridge will accommodate four traffic lanes, a center median, pedestrian/bicycle facilities consisting of a Class I bike path on the west side, and a sidewalk on the east side of the Bruce Road. The project also involves the installation of a new storm drain outfall structure downstream of the Little Chico Creek bridge crossing, on the southbound side of Bruce Road at the northwest corner of the bridge. The existing upstream storm drain outfall will be removed and diverted to the new outfall.

This is to advise that the CVFPB, as the **Responsible Agency**, approved the above-described project on November 18, 2022 and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [ will /  will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within CVFPB’s permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. [ An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) /  A Mitigated Negative Declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [ were /  were not] made a condition of CVFPB’s approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [ was /  was not] adopted by CVFPB for this project
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [ was /  was not] adopted by CVFPB for this project.
6. Findings [ were /  were not] made by CVFPB pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

**Responsible Agency Statement:** The Mitigated Negative Declaration, prepared by the lead agency for the project, is available to the general public at the lead agency’s office listed above. CVFPB’s administrative record related to the encroachment permit is available for public review at CVFPB’s office.

*ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:*

November 18, 2022

Signature Sarah C. Backus, Executive Officer

Date

**Date Received for filing at OPR:**

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.  
 Reference: Sections 21100-21174, Public Resources Code.