

Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2021010067

Project Title: 1G470 SR-74 Morrill Canyon Bridge Replacement Project

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation – District 8

Project Location (include county): State Road 74 near Post Mile 3.08 in Riverside County, CA.

Project Description: The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board issued a Clean Water Act section 401 water quality certification (Certification No. R9-2022-0105) to the Project Applicant to upgrade an existing deteriorated bridge structure to modern structural standards on State Road 74 in the Cleveland National Forest, Riverside County, CA. This will involve placing a slab over the existing historic bridge structure, adding a storm drain outlet system with rock slope protection within Morrill Canyon Creek. One tree may also be removed. Temporary impacts will include the construction of a two-lane bridge to the south of the project area to divert traffic during construction. Permanent impacts to 0.003 acres of stream habitat will be mitigated for at a 2:1 area ratio at Riverpark Mitigation Bank.

This is to advise that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, a Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described project on May 24, 2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project.

1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This to certify that the Negative Declaration is available to the general public at: the office of the Lead Agency listed above. The record associated with the San Diego RWQCB's decision is available at 2375 Northside Drive, Ste. 100, San Diego CA 92108, ph. 619-521-1990 (Electronic File No./PIN 879958).

Signature (Public Agency) of David W. Gibson, Executive Officer:

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resource Code.

Reference Sections 210000-21174, Public Resource Code.