

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

To: Tulare County Clerk
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Applicant(s): Tulare County Resource Management Agency
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Subject: **Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code**

Project Title: Mountain Road 109 White River Bridge Replacement Project

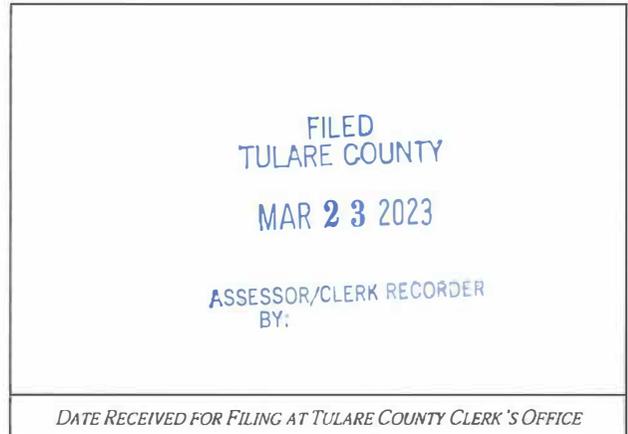
State Clearinghouse Number: 2021050226

Contact Person: Hector Guerra **Telephone Number:** 559-624-7121

Project Location: The existing bridge is located approximately 500 feet north of Mountain Road 12; approximately eight (8) miles southeast of Fountain Springs in an unincorporated area of Tulare County, California. The site is located within the United States Geological Survey White River 7.5 Minute Quadrangle. It lies within Section 28, Township 24 South, Range 29 East, MDB&M.

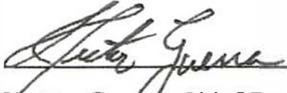
Project Description: The Project will replace the existing Mountain Road 109 (M109) bridge crossing over White River with a new two-lane bridge structure to match the required minimum width to carry two lanes of traffic. The approximate limits of the Project are approximately 500 feet northwest and 300 feet southeast of the existing M109 bridge crossing of White River. The Project will conform to the existing roadway width and will provide an improved road alignment for safety. The replacement bridge structure will consist of a concrete slab bridge approximately 100 feet long and will be no greater than 18 feet in height when measured from the channel bottom. The White River channel will be graded to restore natural channel contours. Rock slope protection may be necessary around the bridge abutments for scour protection. Temporary construction easements will be needed for bridge construction and construction staging areas. Permanent slope easements may be required to conform the finished grades of the maintenance roads along each side of the channel to the bridge profile grade. Right-of-way acquisition and utility relocations are anticipated. Stage construction will be utilized to keep the roadway and driveway open to traffic during construction. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2024 and would take approximately 12 months to complete.

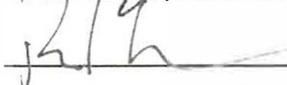
This is to advise that the **TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**, as Lead Agency Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described project on 8/30/22, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:



1. The project [will will not] have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
2. A Final Environmental Impact Report, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation Measures [were were not] made a condition of approval of this project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provision of CEQA.

This is to certify that the environmental document and record of project approval is available to the General Public and may be examined at: Tulare County Resource Management Agency, 5961 S Mooney Blvd., Visalia CA 93277.

By:  Date: 08/30/22
Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner

By:  Date: 8/30/22
Reed Schenke, Director and Environmental Assessment Officer

Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: _____