
State Water Resources Control Board

Notice of Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration

Pursuant to Section 21092 – Public Resources Code

The staff of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration setting forth the findings that the following proposed action will have a less than significant effect on the environment.

Project Title:

Application A030949 to Appropriate Water by Permit – Lynch Canyon Reservoir

Applicants:

Solano Land Trust, 700 Main Street, Suite 210, Suisun City, CA 94585
Ron and Ralph Azevedo, 180 South Kelly Road, American Canyon, CA 94503

Project Location:

The project associated with Application A030949 for Lynch Canyon Reservoir is located between the cities of Fairfield and Vallejo, California, north of Interstate 80 between American Canyon Road and Highway 12 (Jameson Canyon Road). The Proposed Project area is located at approximately 90–275 meters (m) [300–900 feet (ft)] in elevation within Section 16 of Township 4 North, Range 3 West of the Cordelia, California USGS 7.5-minute topographic map. A property line runs directly through the center of Lynch Canyon Reservoir, with the western portion of the reservoir within Lynch Canyon Open Space property owned by the Solano Land Trust and the eastern portion owned by Ron and Ralph Azevedo.

Project Description:

On May 5, 1999 Solano Land Trust and Ron and Ralph Azevedo (Applicants) filed an application to appropriate water by permit (A030949), with the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights. The Applicants are seeking the right to appropriate water from an unnamed stream locally referred to as North Fork of Lynch Canyon Creek, tributary to an unnamed stream locally referred to as Red Top Creek or American Canyon Creek, thence Cordelia Slough, thence the Suisun Bay in the County of Solano. The Applicants are proposing to lower the spillway of an existing onstream reservoir for storage of 47 acre-feet (af) of water diverted from the North Fork of Lynch Canyon Creek. The appropriated water will be used for stockwatering, fish and wildlife preservation and enhancement, and recreation.

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The North Fork of Lynch Canyon Creek is located within the American Canyon-Frontal Suisun Bay Estuaries watershed, approximately 2.5 miles southwest of the intersection of Interstate 80 and California State Route 12.

Determination:

The State Water Board has determined that the above-described project will have a less than significant effect on the environment for the reasons specified in the Initial Study prepared for this project.

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Initial Study in support of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are available on the Division of Water Rights website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/ceqa/

A hard copy of these documents or additional information concerning the proposed action may be obtained by writing to State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights, Attn: Phillip Zoucha, P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000, or by email at phillip.zoucha@waterboards.ca.gov, or by phone at (916) 323-4641.

Persons who disagree with the conclusions set forth in the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration or who disagree with the information contained therein are invited to furnish written comments to Phillip Zoucha at the above address. The comments should summarize the specific substantive and factual basis for disagreement. The final date for submitting comments is 30 days from the date of this notice.

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Division of Water Rights

Dated: June 1, 2021