

Notice of Determination**- 1 -****To:**

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

State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Silverado Canyon Road Over Ladd Creek Bridge Replacement Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0005-R5)

Project Location (include county): The project is located within Ladd Creek, a tributary to Silverado Creek, in the County of Orange, State of California; Latitude 33.748206, Longitude -117.640672. The Project is located in the unincorporated community of Silverado, on Silverado Canyon Road, at the junction with Ladd Canyon Road, on the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) El Toro 7.5 minute series quadrangle topographic map.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0005-R5, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Orange County Department of Public Works as represented by James Volz.

The project is limited to the replacement of Ladd Bridge, currently a paved two-lane roadway that has been deemed insufficient by a CalTrans Bridge Inspection Report in December 2017. The new bridge will be a precast prestressed concrete slab unit bridge with two new bridge abutments set back from the existing abutments. The length of the bridge will be increased to 17.5 feet and will be widened to 27 feet. The existing bridge will be demolished and re-built one lane at a time to maintain traffic flow. Permanent impacts include the removal of 3 California live oak trees and 2 laurel sumacs, totaling 0.01 acres of coast live oak woodland permanent impacts. Temporary impacts include 0.05 acre of impact to coast live oak woodland. As mitigation for impacts, removed trees and shrubs shall be replaced in-kind at a 5:1 ratio and all areas within the project area temporarily impacted shall be restored.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on November 22, 2021 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 mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were / were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The mitigated negative declaration / 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 Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature  *Date:* 12/13/2021
Erinn Wilson-Olgin, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____