

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021120511

Project Title: Silverado Canyon Road Bridge (#55C0177) Replacement Project (Project) (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-ORA-23724-R5)

Project Location (Orange): The Project is located at Silverado Creek, a tributary to Santiago Creek; Latitude 33.746146, Longitude -117.605842; Assessor's Parcel Number 105-172-22. The Project site is located about 4 miles east of East Santiago Canyon Road in the unincorporated community of Silverado, California.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-ORA-23724-R5), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the Project Applicant, Orange County Public Works Department as represented by Giles Matthews. The project is limited to the replacement of the existing Silverado Canyon Road Bridge (#55C0177) with a new 50-foot long single span, prestressed, precast concrete-voided slab girder bridge, raising the new bridge by three to five feet, replacement of bridge wing wall, replacement of an existing rock retaining wall with a Caltrans standard retaining wall Type 7B, installation of cofferdams and sump pumps to divert creek flows around the construction site, and off-site mitigation of permanent impacts to trees and on-site temporary impact mitigation with re-seeding.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on February 29, 2024, 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** prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was** 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 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 a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature:  _____ **Date:** 2/29/2024

Victoria Tang, Environmental Program Manager
Date Received for filing at OPR: _____