

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044
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(If submitted; otherwise address to project file)

FROM: CA. Dept. of Water Resources
715 P Street
P.O. Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance Public Resources Code section 21108.

PROJECT TITLE: Merced River Agricultural Diversion and Fish Habitat Enhancement

SCH#: 2022010622 **LEAD AGENCY:** Merced Irrigation District

CONTACT PERSON: Michael Morris **PHONE NUMBER:** 209-354-2882

PROJECT LOCATION: 3 diversion locations between Merced River miles 43 and 52

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project will improve water delivery efficiency and reduce the negative effects of the diversions on salmonid populations by improving the screening of diversions, reconfiguring the channel and diversion to reduce or eliminate the entrainment of juvenile salmonids, improving efficiency of the diversion to allow better control of flow and reduce water loss, and enhancing habitat function by increasing salmonid habitat and reducing predator habitat.

FINDINGS:

This is to advise that the California Department of Water Resources Riverine Stewardship Program approved the project described above and awarded a grant in the amount of \$ 8,000,000, on November 13, 2019.

The Department has made the following determinations regarding the project:

1. The project will not have significant effects on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project by Merced Irrigation District.
3. Additional mitigation measures were not made a condition of the issuance of the funding agreement.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.

The California Department of Water Resources is a "Responsible Agency" not a "Lead Agency" for this project and the DFW fees for this project were paid on 12/15/2022.

Signature: James R Long Date: 6/18/2024

Jim Long, Supervisor. 916-873-5505

DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING AND POSTING AT OPR: 6/24/24

DFW Filing has been paid. (Attach Receipt)



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

**2022 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT**

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/22) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

24-2022-147

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

2022010622

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 12/15/2022
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING MERCED COUNTY		DOCUMENT NUMBER 24-2022-147
PROJECT TITLE MERCED RIVER AGRICULTURAL DIVERSION AND FISH HABITAT ENHANCEMENT PROJECT		

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (209) 354-2882
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 744 W 20TH ST	CITY MERCED	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 95340

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)


 Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,539.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,548.00	\$	<u>2,548.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,203.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	<u>50.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	<u>0.00</u>

PAYMENT METHOD:

 Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other
TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 2,598.00

SIGNATURE X 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Lea Z. H. Holguin Deputy Clerk
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