

# Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2022020408

**Project Title:** Merced Pavement Anchor Project (Caltrans EA 10-10-0V690) (Notification No. EPIMS-MER-41081-R4) (Project)

**Project Location:** The Project is located within Mariposa Creek on State Route 59 at post mile 10.38, approximately 3 miles south of the City of Merced, in Merced County.

**Project Description:** The Project will remove the existing 4-span reinforced concrete slab bridge over Mariposa Creek (Bridge No. 39-0063) and replace it with a 3-span conventional precast concrete slab structure. The new bridge will be 8-feet higher than the existing structure to prevent flooding and allow debris to flow freely under the bridge. The new bridge will remove existing piers located within the stream channel and will span the creek. A temporary stream diversion may be required.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on 10/15/2024, 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.

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Date: 10/15/2024

Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_