

## Notice of Determination

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**Lead Agency:**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2022080639

**Project Title:** Tulare 99 Culvert Rehabilitation (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-TUL-45265-R4)

**Project Location (Tulare County):** The Project will occur at two discrete work areas along State Route 99 in Tulare County, at postmiles 24.71 and 53.13.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-TUL-45265-R4), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, California Department of Transportation.

The Project involves replacing and rehabilitating existing culverts at two stream locations along State Route 99 in Tulare County and includes cleaning existing culverts with a high velocity jet, filling voids where needed with soil or concrete slurry, replacing 5-foot sections of two culverts, and installing a cured-in-place pipeliner in portions of two culverts. All work at both locations will be completed when the streams are naturally dry.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 3/12/2024 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 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 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 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.

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Date: 3/12/2024

Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

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