



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
Sierra District

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN
INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED
MALAKOFF DIGGINS STATE HISTORIC PARK PIT DRAINAGE RUNOFF
SEDIMENT CONTROL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES PLAN**

Date: December 15, 2022

California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has prepared and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. DPR is the lead agency for the proposed project under CEQA.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project is located at Malakoff Diggins State Historic Park approximately 9 miles northeast of Nevada City, in Nevada County, California. The project location can be found using the following Public Land Survey System description: Township 17N, Range 9E, NE ¼ of Section 1, Township 17N, Range 9E, North ½ of Section 2, and Township 18N, Range 9E, SE ¼ of Section 36, Mount Diablo Base Meridian, USGS 7.5' North Bloomfield, CA Quadrangle.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT: DPR proposes to install and maintain various best management practice (BMP) components in the Malakoff Diggins Basin former hydraulic mine pit (Pit) to control the release of sediment from the Pit to downstream receiving waters in compliance with Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) Orders R5-2017-0086 and R5-2017-0087-01.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration was circulated for public review and comment originally for a period of 30 days, beginning November 18, 2022. DPR is extending the review and comment period for an additional 30 days, with the comment period now ending on January 18, 2023. Questions regarding the project should be directed to Dan Canfield, District Superintendent, Sierra District, P.O. Box 266, Tahoma, CA 96142-0266 or by email at dan.canfield@parks.ca.gov.

Your views and comments on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration are welcomed. Written comments should be submitted no later than January 18, 2023, to the following address:

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Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration may be reviewed during normal business hours at the above address. The document is also available for review on DPR's Internet Website at: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=981