

## Notice of Determination

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**To:**

Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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Lead Agency

**Tehama County Planning Dept.**  
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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2023010142

**Project Title:** Wolf Mine I.D. 91-52-0043 (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-TEH-40972-R1)

**Project Location (Tehama):** The project is located at Thomes Creek a tributary to Sacramento River, in Tehama County, California; latitude 39.975151, longitude -122.183037; Section 34, Township 25N, Range 03W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Corning Quadrangle, Mount Diabolo base and meridian; Assessor's Parcel Number 067-090-009-00.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-TEH-40972-R1)], pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, Thomes Creek Rock, Inc. represented by Jeff Jackson.

The project is limited to approximately 44,000 cubic yards of annual sand and gravel extraction from Thomes Creek (Project). Aggregate is to be removed from the gravel bars adjacent to the low-flow channel with bar skimming methods. Limited native vegetation may be removed during gravel extraction. Non-native, invasive vegetation will be removed during project-related activities. The aggregate will be removed with scrapers and stockpiled in upland areas to be processed at the adjacent Thomes Creek Rock processing plant. The operation will preserve a single low-flow channel through the site, and adjacent skimmed gravel bar surfaces will be graded to slope toward this channel. At the end of annual operations where extraction activities have disturbed the streambed, all depressions in the bars will be filled in and any mounds will be graded

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flat. The defining outer banks of Thomes Creek will not be disturbed.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on March 14, 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** adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were 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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 Signature: Janae Scruggs Date: 3/15/2024  
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Janae Scruggs, Acting Environmental Program Manager

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