

NEVADA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A
PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

To:

Building Department	Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
Supervisor Hall	Sierra Nevada Group/Sierra Club
Department of Public Works	Central Valley Water Quality Control Board
Principal Planner	U.S. Fish & Wildlife
Environmental Health	CALFIRE – Pre-Fire – Steve Garcia
COB - Jeff Thorsby	Native American Heritage Commission
CEO – Alison Lehman	Resource Conservation District
Nevada County Consolidated Fire	Erika Seward – CDA Senior Admin Analyst
Nevada Irrigation District	Planning Commissioner Milman
Fire Protection Planner	Bear Yuba Land Trust
City of Nevada City	FREED
CNPS – Redbud Chapter	LAFCO
Friends of Nevada City	Tsi Akim Maidu
Greater Champion Neighborhood Association	<i>Property Owners Within 300 Feet</i>
Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe	

Date: January 13, 2023

File Number(s): PLN22-0174; MGT22-0032; MGT23-0001; EIS22-0010

Applicant: The Sierra Fund

Property Owner: California Heritage: Indigenous Research Project (CHIRP)

Project Location: Assessor’s Parcel Number 005-101-002 (no situs address) in Nevada City, CA, accessed via Old Downieville Highway. Approximately one mile southwest of the Highway 49 and Highway 20 intersection in Nevada City.

Project Description: PLN22-0174; MGT22-0032; MGT23-0001; EIS22-0010: The Deer Creek Tribute Trail Extension project seeks approval of an Aquatic and Biological Resources Management Plan and Steep Slopes Management Plans for construction of approximately 3,700 feet of trail, installation of interpretive signage, fencing, retaining walls, a well and water storage tank, and a native plant garden with irrigation. In addition, the project proposes removal of non-native, invasive plant species and fuel reduction throughout the subject parcel.

PUBLIC REVIEW: As a lead agency, in accordance with CEQA, Nevada County is distributing the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration IS/MND to interested public and regulatory authorities for review and comment for a period of 31-days. Nevada County is inviting comments and concerns regarding the IS/MND during the public review period spanning **January 13, 2023 to February 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.** Final action on the proposed MND will be taken by the Nevada County Zoning Administrator after the completion of the public review period at a duly noticed public hearing.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review on Nevada County's website at <https://www.nevadacountyca.gov/994/Environmental-Documents>. Hardcopies may be reviewed at the Nevada County Planning Department, 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 170, Nevada City, CA 95959.

- Written comments should be sent to the following address: Marie Maniscalco, Assistant Planner, Nevada County Planning Department, 950 Maidu Avenue Suite 170, Nevada City, CA 95959 - Email: marie.maniscalco@nevadacountyca.gov on or before **February 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970," as amended to date, a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared because no substantial evidence exists, as indicated in the attached Initial Study, that the proposed project may have a significant environmental effect that is not mitigated to a level of less than significance.

Prepared by:


Marie Maniscalco, Assistant Planner

1/13/23
Date