

Notice of Determination



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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2023020102

Project Title: Fresno 168 Culvert Rehabilitation Project (Notification No. EPIMS-FRE-49428-R4)

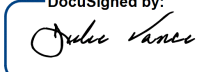
Project Location: The Project is located at 23 streams along State Route (SR) 168 from 560 feet north of Mendocino Avenue to 740 feet east of Dinkey Creek Road between highway post mile (PM) 16.35 to 45.14, including the community of Academy and the community of Prather, in eastern Fresno County, California.

Project Description: The Project includes rehabilitating or replacing 23 failing drainage culverts, creating new drainage inlet and outlet structures, and placing rock slope protection. The Project is part of a larger overall project which includes improving drainage systems and associated elements along SR 168.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 3/26/2025, 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. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____