

## **Notice of Determination**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number: 2023040328**

**Project Title:** Butte County Routine Maintenance (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. BUT-41617-R2)

**Project Location:** The project is located within the boundaries of Butte County. The watercourses included within this Agreement are the following lake and/or creeks and their tributaries: Sacramento River, Pine Creek, Rock Creek, Mud Creek, Angel Slough, Little Dry Creek, Big Chico Creek, Little Chico Creek, Butte Creek, Dry Creek, Feather River, West Branch Feather River, North Fork Feather River, Middle Fork Feather River, Fall River, South Fork Feather River, Honcut Creek, Thermalito Afterbay, and Lake Oroville.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number BUT-41617-R2 pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Butte County, as represented by Scott Hightower.

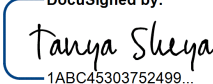
The project includes routine maintenance activities and culvert replacement in several streams, tributaries, and lake Oroville within Butte County. Routine maintenance activities will include the removal of debris and obstructions, sediment removal, vegetation control in channels, tree trimming, repair of existing erosion control works, temporary water diversions, channel alignment maintenance, geotechnical sampling for maintenance activities, conversion of concrete-lined channels, and bridge washing, graffiti removal, and painting.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the above-described Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement on the date signed below and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

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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 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 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 execution of the above Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 1/22/2024  
Tanya Sheya, Environmental Program Manager