

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2024010788

Project Title: Lake Wildwood Sediment Removal Project (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. NEV-34647-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at Lake Wildwood and Deer Creek, in the County of Nevada County, State of California; Latitude 39.239330, Longitude -121.192681; Assessor's Parcel Number: 050-020-044-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number NEV-34647-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Lake Wildwood Association.

The project is limited to the sediment removal from the Deer Creek inlet on Lake Wildwood approximately every 3 to 4 years. The project will involve dredging and sediment removal operations totaling approximately 200,000 cubic yards within a grading area totaling approximately 6.5 acres. During sediment removal years, the lake is drawn down by approximately 10 to 12 feet beginning around early September going through October by increasing water releases into lower Deer Creek over a period of several weeks. A channel will be created approximately 3-5 feet wide and 8-12 inches deep to isolate the water coming from Deer Creek from the sediment removal operations and prevent sediment material from entering the modified portion of the channel. Lake water is released through a set of slide gates at the bottom of the lake appropriately throttling the release of water through the Anthony House Dam outlet valve to achieve flows no greater than 40 cubic feet per second.

Several days after the initiation of the lake drawdown, dredged and excavated sediment is stockpiled at upland locations on Lake Wildwood Association property. Sediment is then hauled

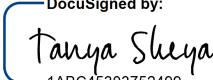
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approximately 0.5 mi to a prepared disposal site. At the sediment disposal site, approximately 1.5 acres of trees will be removed to create more space for sediment disposal. A total footprint of approximately 900 square feet of drained sediment is temporarily stockpiled during dredging activities below the lake's ordinary high-water mark.

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):

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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Date: 9/10/2024

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