

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2024050351

Project Title: Antelope Grade Truck Climbing Lane Culvert Extension (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2024-0043-04 (ITP))

Project Location: The Project is located on SR 46, east of the intersection of SR 41 and SR 46, at post mile 60.57 in San Luis Obispo County.

Project Description: The Project involves extending an existing reinforced concrete box culvert by 30 feet to the north. The culvert extension is needed to accommodate roadbed widening for a larger project to extend the existing westbound truck climbing lane by approximately 5,000 feet, which is the subject of the responsible agency's Initial Study/Negative Declaration..

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [the lead agency / a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on 2/13/2025 and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

- 1. The project [will / 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. [An environmental impact report / A negative declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
- 3. Additional mitigation measures [were / were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings [were / were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW did, however, adopt findings to document its compliance with CEQA.
- 7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
 - Payment is submitted with this notice.
 - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.

Responsible Agency statement: The Initial Study/Negative Declaration prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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 Signature _____ Date: 2/13/2025
 Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____