

Notice of Determination

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

Project Title: Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-CAL-50217-R2 (Green Fork Timber Harvesting Plan 4-23-00172-CAL, Sierra Pacific Industries)

Project Location: The projects are located within the boundaries of a timber harvesting plan in Calaveras County, within CALWATER watersheds Swamp Creek, Fine Gold Mine, and Upper Jesus Maria Creek and connecting tributaries; Township 5N, Range 15E, Sections 5, 7, 8, 9, and 18 and Township 5N, Range 14, Sections 11, 12, and 13 of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-minute Quad Map Dorrington and Fire Mountain; Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

Project: The nine projects are limited to water drafting, constructing temporary impoundments, installing brow logs, rocking drafting pads, and the removal of sediment and expansion of two waterholes. Further explanation of the work can be referenced within THP #4-23-00172-CAL.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project 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 / negative declaration / timber harvesting plan prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. 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 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 / negative declaration / timber harvesting plan 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 Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Jennifer Garcia
Signature: _____ Date: 6/6/2024
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