

Notice of Determination

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

Project Title: Bear Necessity Timber Harvesting Plan 4-24-00166-CAL (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-CAL-56523-R2)

Project Location: The projects are located within the boundaries of a timber harvesting plan in Calaveras County, within CALWATER watershed Bear Creek, Lower Forest Creek, Lower Panther Creek, and their connecting tributaries; Township 6N, Range 14E, Section 6; Township 7N, Range 13E, Section 25; and Township 7N, Range 14E, Sections 14, 15, 19-24, 27-33; U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Quad Map Devils Nose; Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number EPIMS-CAL-56523-R2, pursuant to section 1611 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Sierra Pacific Industries.

The projects are limited to water drafting, waterhole maintenance, temporary crossings, and a permanent vented ford crossing. Further explanation of the work can be referenced within the THP 4-24-00166-CAL.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the above 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 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 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.

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

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Jennifer Garcia

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Signature: _____

Date: 1/28/2025

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