

Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
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From: Department of Fish and Wildlife
Wildlife Conservation Board
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County Clerk (County of): N/A

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Lead Agency: Regional Water Quality
Control Board, Reg. 5 (Central Valley)
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SUBJECT: Filing Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018121030

Project Title: Sequoia Prioritized Ten Meadows Project

Project Location: Sequoia National Forest, approximately 20 to 30 miles north of Kernville, Tulare County

Project Description: Sequoia National Forest Prioritized Meadow Restoration, 2020019. The Project will restore condition and function of five meadows in Sequoia National Forest: Granite Knob, Little Horse, Little Troy, Upper Parker, and Lower Parker meadows. This will be accomplished through treatments such as filling incised channels, installing rock riffles, building rock grade control structures, and placement of woody debris, dependent upon conditions within the subject meadows. Reconnecting stream channels to the floodplains within these meadows will attenuate peak flows, raise groundwater elevations, enhance late season base flows, decrease water temperature and sediment loading, and provide improved habitat conditions for native fish and wildlife.

This is to advise that the Wildlife Conservation Board has approved the above
 Lead Agency or Responsible agency

described project on April 1, 2020 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
(Date)
described project.

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 Negative Declaration (ND): A final Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact prepared by the U.S. Forest Service, was used by the lead agency in place of a ND for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation Measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact, which the Lead Agency used in place of a Negative Declaration, with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at: 1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706.

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Signature John Donnelly
John P. Donnelly, Executive Director

Title: Executive Director
Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Date: 4/2/2020

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