

## **Notice of Determination**

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**To:**

Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2018122049

**Project Title:** Justice Ranch Cannabis Cultivation and Stream Crossing Upgrades (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-TRI-19373-R11)

**Project Location:** The projects are located at unnamed tributaries to Yew Wood Creek, a Class I perennial stream in Trinity County, California and accessible by street address 170 Justice Road, Zenia, CA 95595; Assessor's Parcel Number 020-190-044-000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-TRI-19373-R11), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Justice Ranch LLC, as represented by Trevor Allen.

Project 1 is limited to the cultivation of commercial cannabis near a delineated wetland that is hydrologically connected to an intermittent tributary to Yew Wood Creek.

Project 2 is limited to upgrading an existing culverted stream crossing at an intermittent tributary to Yew Wook Creek. The existing crossing consists of a 36-inch corrugated metal pipe (CMP). 18-inch angular rock slope protection (RSP) will be added to existing RSP as needed. Additionally, an engineered rolling dip will be installed at the crossing to allow for the conveyance of extreme storm flows.

Project 3 is limited to the replacement of a defunct culverted stream crossing at an ephemeral tributary to Yew Wood Creek with a new 24-inch CMP. The new CMP has been calculated by a qualified engineer to properly convey the flows of a 100-year storm event.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on June 6, 2024 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 environmental impact report 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** adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings **were** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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The Final EIR 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 a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature: DocuSigned by: Adam McKannay Date: 6/6/2024  
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Adam McKannay, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_