

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018122049

Project Title: Unnamed Tributary Culvert and Diversion Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0535-R1).

Project Location (Trinity): The project is located on unnamed tributaries to Hayfork Creek in Trinity County; Township 31N, Range 12W, section 16, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, Hayfork U.S. Geological Survey 7.5 minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 016-170-77-00; 1800 McAlexander Road in the community of Hayfork.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (1600-2019-0535-R1), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Matthew Hawkins.

The proposed project includes the replacement of an undersized existing 48-inch culvert and upgrading and maintaining an existing impoundment and associated infrastructure. The existing corrugated metal pipe on an unnamed intermittent stream will be replaced with a 60-inch corrugated metal pipe and armored on the fill faces as necessary. The impoundment upgrades include re-sloping the interior side slopes to prevent wildlife entrapment, removing an existing culvert at the inlet, and replacing the existing culvert at the outlet with an armored v-style weir and spillway.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on September 4, 2024 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

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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.

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:  Date: 9/4/2024

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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____