

Notice of Determination

To:

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SUBJECT: *Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108*
State Clearinghouse Number: 2008062030

Project Title: South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan (SSHCP), California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2018-016-02 (ITP) Amendment No. 1.

Project Location: The Planning Area encompasses approximately 317,655 acres within south Sacramento County. The Planning Area includes Galt and Galt's sphere of influence, and the portion of Rancho Cordova that is located south of U.S. Highway 50. The geographical boundaries of the Planning Area are U.S Highway 50 and White Rock Road to the north, the Sacramento River levee and County Road J11 (Walnut Grove-Thornton Road) to the west, the Sacramento County line with El Dorado and Amador Counties to the east, and the San Joaquin County line to the south.

Project Description: The Project is a multi-jurisdictional, multi-species, 50-year HCP implementation that will cover 28 native species, (seven of which are State listed species) through minimizing and mitigating impacts on those species and their habitats. The Project will allow for the development of 67,618-acres for urban development within the Urban Development Area (UDA) included within the Plan Area. The UDA is defined as all lands within the Sacramento County Urban Services Boundary that are also within the Plan Area (this includes lands within the Rancho Cordova city limits that are within the Plan Area); and all lands within Galt's city limits and within the City of Galt's sphere of influence. The USB was defined by Sacramento County as the maximum boundary where they are willing to provide future urban services, such as sanitary sewer and water supply. The scope of work outside of the UDA is limited to infrastructure and transportation projects.

CDFW has initiated this first minor amendment to the ITP to update the procedures in the ITP, specifically in Condition of Approval 9.6 of the ITP which describes the approval process for entities proposed to hold conservation easements under the SSHCP and clarifies that all conservation easements will follow the template attached to the SSHCP as Appendix D.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [the lead agency / a responsible agency] issued the ITP amendment on the date signed below and made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project [will / 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. [An environmental impact report / A negative declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional 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 / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings [were / were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a).
7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
 - Payment is submitted with this notice.
 - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
- Responsible Agency statement: The EIR prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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Kevin Thomas
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Signature _____ **Date:** 2/9/2021

Kevin Thomas, Regional Manager
North Central Region