

Notice of Determination

To:

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From:

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2016062049

Project Title: Stonegate Development (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2018-082-02-01 (ITP))

Project Location: The Stonegate Development Project (Project) is located within the City of Chico, Butte County. The Project is located at approximately Latitude 39°43'14.51"N, Longitude 121°47'5.04"W. The Project site is bounded by Skyway Road to the south and East 20th Street to the North.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is approving an Amendment to the ITP that changes to the timing requirements for ITP Condition of Approval No. 10, Performance Security, for acquisition, protection, and transfer of all Habitat Management lands and recordation of any required conservation easements from needing to be completed within 18 months of ITP issuance to needing to be completed prior to commencing Covered Activities and no later than June 1, 2024, as described in the ITP. No changes to the project description or impacts are proposed.

This proposed project involves development of a 132-acre property into a combination of the following land uses: Public right-of-way: 28.4 acres; Bicycle Path: 0.7 acre; Park: 3.5 acres; Single-family residential, standard lots (338 lots): 68.9 acres; Multi-family residential: 4 acres; Commercial: 16.6 acres; Stormwater Facility: 5.4 acres; Open Space (Stonegate Preserve): 132 acres (117.3-acre Project Preserve plus 14.76-acre Doe Mill-Schmidbauer Meadowfoam Preserve).

The Project will result in permanent impacts to 0.10 acres of Butte County meadowfoam (BCM) (*Limnanthes floccose ssp. californica*) habitat. The project is expected to result in incidental take of BCM, which is designated as an endangered species under the California Endangered Species Act. The ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of species listed under CESA that may occur as a result of Project implementation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a responsible agency executed the above-described Incidental Take Permit 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 mitigated 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.

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The environmental impact report 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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Colin Purdy
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Signature

Date: 6/13/2023

Colin Purdy, *Acting Regional Manager*