

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2012122043

Project Title: Spring Valley Lake Project (Extension of Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2014-0025-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at Spring Valley Lake and Wolf Creek in Spring Valley, in the County of Lake, State of California; Sections 11 and 12, Township 14N, Range 07W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Benmore Canyon.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed the extension of Streambed Alteration Agreement Notification Number 1600-2014-0025-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Lake County Special Districts.

The original project is limited to the restoration of Spring Valley Lake and the diversion of water from Wolf Creek and North Fork Cache Creek for storage in Spring Valley Lake. Water diverted into Spring Valley Lake consists of approximately one cubic foot per second (cfs) from Wolf Creek between October 1 and July 1, and up to 300-acre feet per year of water from North Fork Cache Creek, which is allocated from the Yolo County Flood Control and Conservation District. During the year the Permittee will bypass a minimum of 10 cfs or the total streamflow shall be bypassed, whichever is less. The restoration project is to reclaim the water volume and area of the original reservoir and dam capacity of 320 acre-feet, the current volume is approximately 43 acre-feet. The reclaimed lake is anticipated to provide water for wildfire suppression as well as backup domestic water supply in the event of a prolonged drought.

The proposed project is to be completed in three phases:

Phase I will involve construction of a sedimentation pond and filtration marshes, re-direction of Wolf Creek to the southern bank of the reservoir to the spillway of the dam.

Phases II & III will remove 10-30 feet of sediment from the area delineated on the attached maps. The project is anticipated to remove approx. 352,000 cubic yards of sediment, about half of which is silt. The silt will be deposited as spoils in several County-owned sites within the Spring Valley Lakes Subdivision.

The extension will extend the expiration of the Streambed Alteration Agreement until April 26, 2026.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the extension of the above-described Streambed Alteration Agreement on the date signed below 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 mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).

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- 3. 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 California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of execution of the extension of the Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature: _____ Date: 3/7/2022

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