

**Notice of Determination****- 1 -****To:**

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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.**

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2019012052

**Project Title:** New Bullards Bar Forest Health Project Project-Specific Analysis/Addendum

**Project Location:** Yuba County

**Project Description:** The proposed project comprises implementation of vegetation treatments on CDFW lands within the New Bullards Bar Forest Health Project area within Yuba County. The proposed treatment types are ecological restoration, wildland urban interface fuel reduction, fuel break, and the treatment activities are mechanical treatments, manual treatments, prescribed burning, herbicide application, and prescribed herbivory. Maintenance treatments would involve the same vegetation treatment types and activities used in the initial treatments. A Project-Specific Analysis and Addendum (PSA/Addendum) for the project as a later activity covered by the California Vegetation Treatment Project (CalVTP) Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

Additionally, the PSA/Addendum incorporates and supersedes two previously adopted PSA/Addenda: the Yuba Roadside Fuel Treatment Project PSA/Addendum and the Yuba Foothills Healthy Forest Project PSA/Addendum, for the purposes of document consolidation and continuity to increase implementation efficiency.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the California Department of Fish and Wildlife ( Lead Agency or  Responsible Agency) has approved the above-described project on January 22, 2025 and has made the following determinations related to the PSA/Addendum:

1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. The New Bullards Bar Forest Health Project PSA/Addendum (SCH No. 2019012052) was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. The CalVTP Program EIR sufficiently analyzes and addresses potential environmental impacts from the project, and the project will not trigger any of the criteria requiring additional CEQA review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162. The project will not result in new

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significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of the significant environmental impacts identified in the CalVTP Program EIR.

- a. The elements of the proposed project that would be implemented in treatment areas within the CalVTP treatable landscape are within the scope of the CalVTP Program EIR consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15168(c)(2), as documented in the PSA.
  - b. The elements of the proposed project that would be implemented in areas outside the CalVTP treatable landscape and revisions to standard project requirements and mitigation measure from the CalVTP Program EIR would not result in the occurrence of any of the conditions described in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 calling for preparation of a subsequent EIR; therefore, an Addendum has been adopted to address these changes to the program.
4. Mitigation measures and standard project requirements from the CalVTP Program EIR were made a condition of the approval of the project; no new project-specific mitigation measures are required.
  5. The implementation of applicable CalVTP Program EIR mitigation measures and standard project requirements will be monitored and reported pursuant to the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program that was adopted for this project.
  6. The previous statement of overriding considerations in the CalVTP Program EIR was reaffirmed and adopted for this project by the Yuba County Water Agency.
  7. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091.

This is to certify that the New Bullards Bar Forest Health Project PSA/Addendum and record of project approval are available to the general public. The custodian of these documents is Ryan Leahy, CDFW. Please contact Ryan Leahy at R2Lands@wildlife.ca.gov or (916) 809-3512 to arrange document viewing.

Signature: 

Date: 3/6/2025

Morgan Kilgour, Regional Manager

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