

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Numbers: 2012012022

Project Title: Sacramento Municipal Utility District Upper American River Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement Notification No. 1600-2014-0152-R2) Amendment

Project Location (include county): The project is located in the County of El Dorado at the Chili Bar Dam; latitude 38.7718, longitude -120.81291.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed an amendment to Streambed Alteration Agreement Notification Number 1600-2014-0152-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code, issued to the project Applicant, Sacramento Municipal Utility District.

The project includes amending the Streambed Alteration Agreement Notification Number 1600-2014-0152-R2 to include a new project location. The new project location encompasses the Chili Bar Hydroelectric Project (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission License No. 2155), located on the South Fork American River downstream of the Upper American River Project's White Rock powerhouse.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed an amendment to the above referenced 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 the Initial Study and Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.

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6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Initial Study/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 above Streambed Alteration Agreement Amendment as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Date: 8/27/2026

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