

Notice of Determination



To:
Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2019100230

Project Title: Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MON-44907-R4) (Project)

Project Location (Monterey County): The Project is located along a one-mile-long section of the Carmel River, within Palo Corona Regional Park, in the City of Carmel, Monterey County, California; centered at coordinates 36.53764, -121.88875; Section 00, Township 16 South, Range 1 East; U.S. Geological Survey map Monterey; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 157-181-009-000, 015-162-009-000, 015-162-033-000, 015-162-041-000, 015-162-043-000, 015-162-044-000, 015-162-046-000, 015-162-047-000, 015-162-050-000, 015-162-051-000, and 157-181-010-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-MON-44907-R4), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District for the Project.

The Project includes the establishment of access roads and staging areas; dust abatement; construction and removal of temporary stream crossings; diversion of remnant pools; dewatering of work areas; removal of bridges and other infrastructure; construction of a bridge; removal and burial of trails; construction of trails; construction of an arch culvert; groundwater well modifications; construction of stream restoration features; construction of habitat enhancement features; riprap removal; revegetation; and adaptive management.

CDFW, acting as a responsible agency, approved the Project on May 29, 2025, 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 Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) prepared by the State Water Resources Control Board and the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District's February 10, 2022, CEQA memorandum pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the Project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was** adopted by CDFW for this Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted by CDFW for this Project.
6. Findings **were** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The PEIR and CEQA memorandum prepared for the Project are available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

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