

Notice of Determination

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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 (Permit for Recovery and Management No. PRAM-2025-0002-R4) (Project)

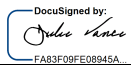
Project Location (Monterey County): The Project is located along a one-mile-long section of the Carmel River, within Palo Corona Regional Park, in the City of Carmel, Monterey County, California; centered at coordinates 36.53764, -121.88875; Section 00, Township 16 South, Range 1 East; U.S. Geological 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 issued a Permit for Recovery and Management (PRAM) pursuant to sections 2081(a) and 3511 of the Fish and Game Code to the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District for the Project. The Project will restore a section of the Carmel River approximately one-mile long. The Project will produce suitable foraging, nesting, and overwintering habitat for Crotch's bumble bee, and suitable foraging and nesting habitat for white-tailed kite (collectively, Covered Species). The Project is estimated to take up to 15 Crotch's bumble bee individuals in the form of capture, up to 15 Crotch's bumble bee individuals in the form of incidental take, up to one Crotch's bumble bee nest in the form of incidental take, and up to one white-tailed kite nest in the form of nest abandonment, potentially resulting in the incidental take of eggs and/or chicks. CDFW has determined and expects the Project will benefit, aid in the conservation of, and assist in the recovery of the Covered Species.

This notice is to advise that CDFW, acting as a responsible agency under CEQA, approved the Project on June 2, 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.

Signature:  _____ **Date:** 6/3/2025

Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____