

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:

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From:

Public Agency: East Stanislaus Resource Conservation District
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 Contact: Alexandria Miranda
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Lead Agency (if different from above): _____

Address: _____

Contact: _____

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

 State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2019100230

 Project Title: Tortuga and Mohler Restoration Project on the Stanislaus River

 Project Applicant: East Stanislaus Resource Conservation District

 Project Location (include county): Oakdale and Ripon, Stanislaus and San Joaquin counties

Project Description:

See attached document.

This is to advise that the East Stanislaus Resource Conservation District has approved the above
 (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on _____ and has made the following determinations regarding the above
 (date)
 described project.

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Signature (Public Agency): Alexandria Miranda Title: Director of Operations

Date: 3/6/2026 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Tortuga and Mohler Project Description

The project would restore juvenile salmonid habitat at two locations on the Stanislaus River. At the Tortuga site near Oakdale, approximately 59,100 CY of material will be removed from the Stanislaus River corridor to create seasonal side channels and alcoves, resulting in the enhancement of over seven acres of high-quality off-channel rearing habitat for juvenile salmonids. Additionally, approximately 39 large wood structures would be installed in the off-channel habitat to provide habitat complexity and to utilize trees that will be removed. At the Mohler Tract site near Ripon, approximately 52,000 cubic yards of material will be removed within a 4.5 acre footprint of the Mohler Tract, resulting in high-quality seasonal side channel and floodplain rearing habitat for juvenile salmonids. Approximately 2,600 cubic yards of concrete rubble will be removed from 0.6 acres of the north bank of the Stanislaus River within the site. Up to 10 large wood structures will be installed in the side channel to create habitat complexity and use removed trees. The project will restore and enhance off-channel juvenile salmonid rearing habitat conditions at two sites through the creation of low velocity side channel and alcove rearing habitat at a range of ecologically significant flows (500-3000 cfs).