

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: Carpenter Road Floodplain Restoration Project (Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2026-0025-R4 (RMP))

Project Location (Stanislaus County): The 38.46-acre Project is located within the Tuolumne River Regional Park, in the City of Modesto, Stanislaus County; centered at approximately 37.60932, -121.02861; Sections 6 and 7, Township 4 South, Range 9 East; U.S. Geological Survey Map Brush Lake; Assessor's Parcel Number 037-037-001-000.

Project Description: The Project is designed to establish nine acres of suitable rearing habitat for juvenile salmonids, will enhance the riparian corridor with native vegetation, and will establish a river crossing within a new alcove channel that will ensure continued public access compatible with the Project's primary purpose of habitat restoration.

CDFW has determined that the Project is a Qualifying Restoration Project pursuant to section 1671(d)(1) of the Fish and Game Code, and the Project is expected to result in a substantial, cumulative benefit to native fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitat, or any combination thereof. This notice is to advise that CDFW issued the above-described RMP and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [☐ the lead agency / ☒ a responsible agency] approved the Project on 6/25/2026 and made the following determinations regarding the above described Project:

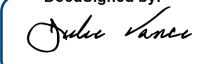
1. The Project [☐ will / ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. CDFW considered the State Water Resources Control Board Restoration Projects Statewide Order (Statewide Order) Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) and the Project RMP application materials submitted by Yosemite Rivers Alliance, including the City of Modesto's

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3. Additional mitigation measures [☒ were / ☐ were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was / ☐ was not] adopted by CDFW for this Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was / ☒ was not] adopted by CDFW for this Project.
6. Findings [☒ were / ☐ were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21081(a).
7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code section 711.4 (check one):
 - ☐ Payment is submitted with this notice.
 - ☒ A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.

The PEIR and Notice of Determination prepared for the Project is 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: 6/25/2026
Julie A. Vance, *Regional Manager*

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____