

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020080218

Project Title: Aquatic Invasive Plant Control in Lake Tahoe (Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2025-0003-R2)

Project Location (include county): The approximately 964.3-acre Project footprint includes the waters of Lake Tahoe, the Truckee River immediately downstream of the dam in Tahoe City, tributary waters adjacent to their confluence with Lake Tahoe, and associated marsh areas within the County of Placer and the County of El Dorado, State of California.

Project Description: On 6/6/2025, The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) issued this Restoration Management Permit (RMP) pursuant to section 1670 of the Fish and Game Code to the Tahoe Resource Conservation District.

The Project is designed to physically remove aquatic invasive plants (AIP) via synchronized survey and control efforts and repeated treatment of infestations on an annual basis to reduce and eliminate both source populations and satellite infestations. The Project intends to restore up to approximately 1,000 acres of aquatic habitat while also identifying and eliminating new AIP infestations before they become established within the Project Area. AIP removal and exclusion will be conducted using diver-assisted suction removal, hand pulling, and benthic barriers.

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, and their habitats. This notice is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the above Restoration Management Permit on the date signed below and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

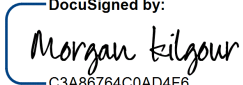
1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.

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2. CDFW considered the environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project 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 not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.
7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4:

A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.

The Mitigated 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 Restoration Management Permit as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature: _____ Date: 6/6/2025

Morgan Kilgour, PhD, Regional Manager