

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021050575

Project Title: Mineral King Road Bridge Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-TUL-47329-R4)

Project Location: The Project is located at the Mineral King Road bridge crossing over the East Fork Kaweah River, approximately 6.3 miles east-northeast of the community of Three Rivers and approximately 22 miles northeast of the City of Exeter, north-central Tulare County, California; northeast ¼ of Section 15, Township 17 South, Range 29 East; USGS 7.5 Minute Quad Case Mountain MDB&M; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 069-390-010, 069-390-021, and 069-390-011; GPS coordinates 36.449363, -118.793039.

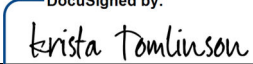
Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-TUL-47329-R4), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, County of Tulare, a political subdivision of the State of California, for the Resource Management Agency.

The Project involves activities related to the construction of a new 100-foot long, clear span steel plate girder bridge over the East Fork of the Kaweah River. The Project will include vegetation removal and construction of approach roadways, retaining walls and bridge components. Work will occur outside the wetted channel, without dewatering.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 12/23/2025 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 Mitigated Negative Declaration 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 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.

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 project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature:  Date: 12/23/2025
 For: Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____