

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2024110511

Project Title: Meeks Creek Bridge Replacement (Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Act (HREA) EPIMS Notification No. 1652-2026-087-001-R2)

Project Location: The Project is located at State Route (SR) 89 at postmile 24.9 at the Meeks Creek Bridge (Bridge #25-0019) in El Dorado County. The Project is in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, which consists of federal lands acquired by the U.S. Forest Service. The Project's approximate center is located at Latitude 39.0359294° and Longitude -120.1255100°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has issued Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Act EPIMS Notification Number 1652-2026-087-001-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Christopher Sugar.

The primary purpose of the Project is to remove and replace the Meeks Creek Bridge, which currently acts as a fish barrier. The project will also improve terrestrial wildlife connectivity, restore upstream and downstream hydrology, reduce potential for upstream channel clogging, and repair downstream scour. The Project will remove the existing Meeks Bridge and replace it with a 92.5-foot, single-span bridge, add a wildlife crossing, and restore riparian/meadow habitat upstream and downstream of the bridge.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the above-described Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Act 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 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 as 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.

The 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 Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Act as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Morgan Kilgour, Regional Manager

Date: 4/24/2026