

## Notice of Determination

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**To:**

Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation  
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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

**CEQA File Number:** I206013

**Project Title:** Trabuco Old Stage Road Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-ORA-37604-R5)

**Project Location (Orange):** The Trabuco Old Stage Road Project (Project) is located at two unnamed tributaries, dubbed Drainage A and Drainage B, to Trabuco Creek, in the County of Orange, State of California; latitude 33.684640, longitude -117.60238; Section 3, Township 6 South, Range 7 West, U.S. Geological Survey map Santiago Peak; Assessor's Parcel Number 856-141-02.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-ORA-37604-R5), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the Project Applicant, Trabuco Old Stage Partners, LLC. The Project is limited to the fuel modification activities in a 100-foot buffer associated with the development of five single-family homes adjacent to Live Oak Canyon Road. Dead and dying vegetation will be removed from the buffer site. Native grasses will be cut below four inches of height. Groups of trees, tree-form shrubs, and shrubs that exceed two feet in height will be vertically pruned and horizontally spaced. Non-native and invasive species will be removed from the site; only species native to the Project site will remain within the riparian area. Existing non-native trees will be removed. Project activities may occur twice annually in late spring and early fall of each year at the end of the growing season for annual plants.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on May 27, 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 **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.

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

Signed by:

Signature: Glen Lubcke Date: 5/27/2025

Glen M. Lubcke, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at LCI: