

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Bucks Lake Trail System Project

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Project Location: Bucks Lake

Plumas

City

County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed non-motorized unpaved trail would be located on two (2) parcels owned by PG&E southeast of Bucks Lake, which are zoned General Forest ("GF"), Recreation ("Rec-3"), and Secondary Suburban ("S-3"). The unpaved nonmotorized trail would be designed to U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service (USFS) standard trail plans for hiking and biking opportunities and will be approximately 4.53 miles long and will have a tread width of up to 36 inches within a 100-foot-wide corridor (50-foot buffer to each side) centered on the proposed trail alignment centerline. Trail construction is proposed to begin in the summer of 2025 and would be completed at the end of summer 2026. Construction of the trail would include the following: one (1) USFS standard multiple log stringer trail bridge with timber and geocell abutments and railings crossing a perennial stream to protect aquatic resources and public drinking water infrastructure, ten (10) USFS simple stringer bridges or hardened water crossings across the intermittent drainages, a single post sign at entrances to the trail system showing allowable uses and nine (9) directional carsonite signs at trail intersections and trailheads. No parking areas, buildings, or other permanent infrastructure are being proposed as part of the project. The non-motorized unpaved trail would be used for seasonal recreation (during the summer and spring seasons from March to September) with no maintenance occurring during the winter season (December to February).

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The proposed project may potentially have impacts to biological and cultural resources. To mitigate the impacts, eight (8) mitigations addressing biological impacts are set forth in Mitigated Negative Declaration 687, which includes preconstruction surveys prior to construction of the trail to ensure no habitats will be impacted. To mitigate impacts to cultural resources, five (5) mitigation measures are being proposed that require notification of applicable professionals in the case of discovery of remains or other cultural resources, as well as training construction staff on best practices for cultural resource sensitivity prior to construction crews beginning work.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

N/A

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board