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Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2025070810

Project Title: Big Chico Creek Erosion Repair at Rose Avenue Bridge (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. BUT-62081-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at the Rose Avenue Bridge on Big Chico Creek, near the intersection of Rose Avenue and Bidwell Avenue, in the City of Chico, County of Butte, State of California; Latitude 39.72698, Longitude -121.86336 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees).

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number BUT-62081-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, City of Chico.

The project is limited to the removal of riparian vegetation, spalled concrete repair, and installation of rock slope protection (RSP). Riparian vegetation, including two mature trees, will be removed to allow staging, access, and RSP installation. RSP will be installed along the creek banks and on the downstream side of the existing concrete encased sewer pipe.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the above-described Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement 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.
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 not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.

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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 execution of the above Streambed Alteration Agreement as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Date: 6/10/2026

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