

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Upper Mainstem Scott River Habitat Enhancement Project: Phase II

Lead Agency: Siskiyou Resource Conservation District

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Project Location: Etna, Siskiyou
City *County*

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

The goal of the project is to improve ecological function through implementation of instream and floodplain restoration treatments on the Scott River, a tributary to the Klamath River, in Siskiyou County, California. The project site is located in the Scott Valley and covers an approximately 4-mile-long contiguous stretch of the Scott River, encompassing around 700 acres of the river channel and floodplain. Planned restoration treatments include side channel excavation, channel contouring, installation of instream large woody structures (e.g., engineered log jams), riparian planting, and other enhancements to improve instream and off-channel habitat, enhance floodplain connectivity, improve riparian health, establish drought resiliency, and reduce sediment and erosion affecting aquatic habitats as well as adjacent agricultural lands.

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

The Upper Mainstem Scott River Habitat Enhancement Project: Phase II includes a detailed Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program (MMRP) to address environmental impacts across various resource areas, including agricultural and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, noise, tribal cultural resources, and wildfire. Key measures include coordinating with landowners and conservation easement holders, minimizing disruption to agricultural operations, and protecting agricultural lands through fencing and topsoil preservation. Air quality measures focus on compliance with regulations and dust control, while biological resource protections involve pre-construction surveys, worker training, habitat avoidance, and species-specific measures for wildlife such as turtles, frogs, cranes, bank swallows, bumblebees, monarchs, bats, and special-status plants. Sensitive natural communities and riparian habitats will be safeguarded through avoidance, minimization, and compensatory mitigation. Cultural and tribal cultural resources will be protected through records searches, Native American consultations, site-specific surveys, and worker training, with protocols in place for discoveries during project activities. Geology and soils measures aim to minimize soil disturbance, prevent erosion, and stabilize disturbed areas, while hazardous materials will be managed through compliance with regulations, equipment inspections, and spill prevention. Hydrology and water quality protections include adherence to water quality standards, sediment control, and dewatering plans, and noise impacts will be mitigated by limiting work hours and maintaining equipment.

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

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

Siskiyou Resource Conservation District.