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SCH #

Project Title: Arnold Avery Trail Reconciliation, Wayfinding and Outdoor Literacy Project

Lead Agency: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

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City: Auburn

Zip: 95603

County: Placer

Project Location: County: Calaveras

City/Nearest Community: Arnold

Cross Streets: State Route 4 and Oak Court

Zip Code: 95223

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 38 ° 15 ' 45 " N / 120 ° 22 ' 92 " W Total Acres: 70

Assessor's Parcel No.: Stanislaus National Forest Boundary

Section: Twp.: Range: Base:

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: State Route 4

Waterways: San Domingo Creek, Cowell Creek, White Pines Lake

Airports:

Railways: Schools: Hazel Fischer Elementary School

Document Type:

CEQA: ☐ NOP	☐ Draft EIR	NEPA: ☐ NOI	Other: ☐ Joint Document
☐ Early Cons	☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR	☐ EA	☐ Final Document
☐ Neg Dec	(Prior SCH No.)	☐ Draft EIS	☐ Other:
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Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update	☐ Specific Plan	☐ Rezone	☐ Annexation
☐ General Plan Amendment	☐ Master Plan	☐ Prezone	☐ Redevelopment
☐ General Plan Element	☐ Planned Unit Development	☐ Use Permit	☐ Coastal Permit
☐ Community Plan	☐ Site Plan	☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)	☒ Other: Grant Funding

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units _____ Acres _____	☐ Transportation: Type _____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	☐ Mining: Mineral _____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	☐ Power: Type _____ MW _____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Educational: _____	☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
☒ Recreational: non-motorized trails	☐ Other: _____
☐ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____	

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual	☐ Fiscal	☒ Recreation/Parks	☒ Vegetation
☒ Agricultural Land	☐ Flood Plain/Flooding	☐ Schools/Universities	☒ Water Quality
☒ Air Quality	☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard	☐ Septic Systems	☒ Water Supply/Groundwater
☒ Archeological/Historical	☒ Geologic/Seismic	☐ Sewer Capacity	☒ Wetland/Riparian
☒ Biological Resources	☒ Minerals	☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading	☐ Growth Inducement
☐ Coastal Zone	☒ Noise	☒ Solid Waste	☒ Land Use
☒ Drainage/Absorption	☒ Population/Housing Balance	☒ Toxic/Hazardous	☒ Cumulative Effects
☐ Economic/Jobs	☒ Public Services/Facilities	☒ Traffic/Circulation	☐ Other: _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Resources Management, Stanislaus National Forest

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The Arnold Rim Trail system extends approximately 28 miles and connects the communities of Arnold, Avery, and Hathaway Pines. It contains curated trail opportunities for hikers, cyclists and equestrians. The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) is considering a grant to the Arnold Rim Trail Association to support the Arnold Avery Trail Reconciliation, Wayfinding and Outdoor Literacy Project. Because SNC is a state agency, CEQA review must be completed to issue the grant. The IS/proposed MND has been prepared to support a decision by SNC of whether or not to provide funding to support the proposed project.

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☒ Air Resources Board	☒ Office of Historic Preservation
☐ Boating & Waterways, Department of	☐ Office of Public School Construction
☐ California Emergency Management Agency	☒ Parks & Recreation, Department of
☐ California Highway Patrol	☐ Pesticide Regulation, Department of
☒ Caltrans District # <u>10</u>	☐ Public Utilities Commission
☐ Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	☒ Regional WQCB # <u>5</u>
☐ Caltrans Planning	☐ Resources Agency
☐ Central Valley Flood Protection Board	☐ Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
☐ Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	☐ S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
☐ Coastal Commission	☐ San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
☐ Colorado River Board	☐ San Joaquin River Conservancy
☐ Conservation, Department of	☐ Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
☐ Corrections, Department of	☐ State Lands Commission
☐ Delta Protection Commission	☐ SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
☐ Education, Department of	☒ SWRCB: Water Quality
☐ Energy Commission	☐ SWRCB: Water Rights
☒ Fish & Game Region # <u>2</u>	☐ Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
☐ Food & Agriculture, Department of	☐ Toxic Substances Control, Department of
☒ Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	☐ Water Resources, Department of
☐ General Services, Department of	☐ Other: _____
☐ Health Services, Department of	☐ Other: _____
☐ Housing & Community Development	
☒ Native American Heritage Commission	

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date September 24, 2026 Ending Date October 26, 2026

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 9/24/2026

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