

**Notice of Determination**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2014101018

**Project Title:** Squaw Mountain Road Bridge Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2013-0100-R6)

**Project Location:** The project is located within Coldwater Canyon Creek at the Squaw Mountain Road crossing in Temescal Valley, County of Riverside, State of California, 33°46'06.575"N, 117°29'9.924"W.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed an amendment for Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2013-0100-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, KB Home or as represented by Scott Hansen. The amended project is limited to the following components: 1) concrete lining the channel bottom below the existing Squaw Mountain Road bridge, 2) connecting the concrete-lined channel to the existing bridge abutments, 3) placing ¼-ton un-grouted riprap with No. 2 backing on the upstream and downstream sides of the concrete-lined portion of the channel, 4) installing riprap slope protection on the northwest slope, and 5) placement of rip-rap at two locations along the tributary side channel. Construction of the amended project will temporarily impact 0.211 acre and permanently impact 0.274 acre of streambed and stream-associated habitats. The amendment decreased project impacts and compensatory mitigation has been modified to include contribution of funds for 0.51 acre of streambed and riparian habitat to a CDFW-approved mitigation entity, contribution of funds to the RCRCD for rehabilitation and long-term management of 0.32 acre within the Coldwater Canyon Creek watershed, and onsite restoration of 0.21 acre including a 3-year monitoring and maintenance period. The amendment extended the project term through December 31, 2020.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on April 8, 2019 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 /  negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures  were /  were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan  was /  was not 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.

The  mitigated negative declaration /  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 Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature Scott Wilson Date: 4/8/2019  
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