

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018081097

Project Title: Big Bear Lake Shoreline Clear and Grub Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0010-R6)

Project Location: The project is located along the shoreline of Big Bear Lake. Big Bear Lake is located within Bear Creek, a tributary to the Santa Ana River, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California; Latitude 34.243713, Longitude -116.917108.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0010-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Big Bear Municipal Water District. The Big Bear Lake Shoreline Clear and Grub Project includes the clearing and grubbing of noxious and invasive weeds, seed beds, and root structures from the dry portion of the lake bottom along the dry, exposed shoreline during low lake level conditions. Annually, no more than five projects will be conducted in areas where there is an over-abundance of terrestrial non-native and/or aquatic non-native vegetation. The total allowable amount of topsoil to be removed for all combined projects within each calendar year is 3,500 cubic yards. Native vegetation will remain undisturbed.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on February 21, 2020 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will / 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 sections 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.
3. A statement of overriding considerations was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were / 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 on the Lead Agency's website. CDFW's record of project approval as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature Scott Wilson **Date:** 2/21/2020
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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____