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Project Title: Mono Winter Access Parking

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Project Location: Town of Mammoth Lakes, June Lake
City

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

The CA Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will pave three locations to provide off-highway parking to access hiking, bicycle, and snowmobile trails in the Inyo National Forest. Two of the locations (at the intersection of US 395 and Mammoth Scenic Loop, and US 395 and Obsidian Dome Road) are existing dirt parking areas, and the third (US 395 and Bald Mountain Road) is an undisturbed area where a new parking area (approximately 260ft X 150ft) will be built. This new location will require tree and vegetation removal, and all three locations will require grading and paving. An existing utility access road near the new location will be decommissioned to discourage public use, and a new access road will be constructed nearby. This project has been developed and studied in conjunction with the US Forest Service - Inyo National Forest, who will prepare all federal and NEPA clearance documents.

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

After preparing an Initial Study, no significant or potentially significant effects are anticipated for this project. Biological resources occur near the project areas but are not expected to be impacted by construction. Pre-construction biological surveys will occur to identify any resources which were not found during initial studies but could spread into the project area before construction begins. Caltrans' standard contract specifications for inadvertent discovery of Tribal/cultural resources are included on all projects. If possible, tree removal work will occur outside of nesting bird season, and if work during this time cannot be avoided additional biological surveys will take place to ensure no resources are affected.