

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:

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County of: Calaveras
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From:

Public Agency: Sierra Nevada Conservancy
Address: 11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205
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Contact: Shannon Ciotti
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Lead Agency (if different from above):
Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority
Address: 5883 East Camanche Parkway
Valley Springs, CA 95252
Contact: Rob Alcott
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

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State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): N/A

Project Title: Black Springs Restoration Project (SNC #1091)

Project Applicant: Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority

Project Location (include county): Approx 12 mi. NE of Arnold, CA, Calaveras County, Stanislaus National Forest

Project Description:

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy would provide \$1,000,000 in funding to implement forest fuels reduction treatments to reduce fire intensity, severity, and risk on 825 acres of land in the Calaveras Ranger District of the Stanislaus National Forest. The project is a part of the larger 14,075-acre Hemlock Landscape Restoration Project. The 825 acres proposed for treatment are situated in tributary drainages to the Middle and South Forks of the Mokelumne River, and would provide ecological benefits, including improved forest health and fire resiliency to this watershed. Treatments would include hand thinning, piling and/or lopping, plantation, and mastication of small trees and brush.

This is to advise that the Sierra Nevada Conservancy has approved the above ([] Lead Agency or [X] Responsible Agency)

described project on (date) and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.

- 1. The project [] will [X] will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. [] An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. [X] A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [] were [X] were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [] was [X] was not adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [] was [X] was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings [X] were [] were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Sierra Nevada Conservancy, 11521 Blocker Drive Suite 205, Auburn, CA 95603

Signature (Public Agency): [Signature] Title: A.E.O.

Date: 3/17/19 Date Received for filing at OPR: [Signature]

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