



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21008 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

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From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region, Redding Office

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Date: 3 May 2022

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021050237

<u>Project Title:</u> English Meadow Floodplain Enhancement and Restoration Project

(WDID 5A29CR00132)

Project Location - Specific: The Project area is located approximately 20 miles northwest of Truckee in English Meadow, Nevada and Sierra Counties. The nearest city is Truckee. The Project coordinates are as follows: Latitude: 39.45930° and Longitude: -120.52537°.

Project Location - County: Nevada and Sierra Counties

Name of Applicant:

Greg Jones Nevada Irrigation District 1036 West Main Street Grass Valley, CA 95945

<u>Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:</u>

The purpose of the project is to improve watershed/floodplain function and resilience of English Meadow and surrounding forest to potential disturbances to reduce the transport of bedload and fine sediment from the upper watershed into Jackson Meadows Reservoir (maintain reservoir water storage capacity); increase seasonal retention and release of surface water captured in the meadow floodplain aquifer; enhance habitat for meadow-dependent species; improve forest health and fire resilience through fuels reduction; increase snowpack and surface flow through mechanical thinning of the forest community on north facing slopes; and reduce conifer encroachment into the meadow.

MARK BRADFORD, CHAIR | PATRICK PULUPA, ESQ., EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

This is to advise that the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, as Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described project on 29 April 2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board considered the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration as prepared by the Nevada Irrigation District.
- 2. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
- 6. Findings were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available to the general public at: Nevada Irrigation District, 1036 West Main Street, Grass Valley, CA 95945.

The record of project approval is available to the general public at: <u>Central Valley</u>
<u>Regional Water Quality Control Board's Adopted Orders Web page</u>
(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq certs/).

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