

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 1992083049

Project Title: Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2019-026-01, Guynup Gravel Extraction Project

Project Location: The Guynup Bar (Mad River Sand & Gravel) is located at River Mile (RM) 12.2 on the Mad River, Humboldt County, California (Figure 1). The gravel extraction site on APNs 313-061-01, 313-061-05, and 313-081-38 can be accessed by exiting Highway 299 at the Blue Lake exit, traveling through the City of Blue Lake via Greenwood Ave, Railroad Ave, and Hatchery Road. Access the site is at 1195 Hatchery Road, approximately 1.2 miles after crossing the Hatchery Road bridge over the Mad River.

The Project consists of extraction of 33,600 cubic yards of gravel annually from the Guynup Bar on the Mad River near Blue Lake in Humboldt County, California. Extraction generally occurs in the same areas, but a different extraction plan is prepared and reviewed annually by various federal, State, and local agencies. Gravel extraction consists of excavation of aggregate from exposed bar surfaces and/or excavation of aggregate from deposits adjacent to the low-flow summer stream channel, isolated water bodies, and secondary channels. Temporary stockpiling of excavated material within the limits of the extraction area is allowed through October 1, when stockpiles must be removed at the end of each workday above the ordinary high-water mark. Excavated materials are hauled to the adjacent aggregate processing facility located off Hatchery Road. After the aggregate material has been removed to the approved extraction design grades, the extraction area is re-graded as necessary to leave no depressions or berms that may potentially trap fish or cause impacts to surrounding habitats. Temporary bridge crossings consist of a pre-cast concrete bridge deck on girders or railroad flat cars on concrete block and clean gravel-fill abutments. Temporary bridge crossings are sited to avoid potential fish spawning, holding, and rearing habitat. Appropriate crossing locations are typically shallow low-velocity water located away from riffle crests and pools. A multi-agency site visit is conducted at the conclusion of the extraction operation and provides any additional recommendations reflecting seasonal extraction plan and reclamation plan conformity.

This is to advise that the Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), acting as the lead agency / a responsible agency approved the above-described project and has made the following determinations:

1. The project will / will not have a significant effect on the environment. (This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's jurisdiction when CDFW acts as a responsible agency.)
2. A program environmental impact report / A negative declaration / A timber harvesting plan was prepared for this project pursuant to CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were / were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. Findings were / were not made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW did, however, adopt findings to document its compliance with CEQA.
6. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
 - Payment is submitted with this notice.
 - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment is on file with CDFW.

- A copy of the CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination Form signed by the Department is attached to this notice.
- Lead Agency certification: CDFW, as Lead Agency, has made the final PEIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, available to the General Public at the CDFW office identified above.
- Responsible Agency statement: The final PEIR and SEIR prepared by the Lead Agency for this project is available to the General Public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's CEQA Findings are available at the CDFW office identified above.

Signed: Tina Bartlett
Tina Bartlett, Regional Manager

Date: 8/8/2019

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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