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

State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Skull Knoll Timber Harvest Plan No. 4-16-001/TUO (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2016-0010-R4)

Project Location: The Project locations occur in Township 4 North, Range 16 East, Section 6; Township 5 North, Range 15 East, Section 36; Township 5 North, Range 16 East, Sections 25, 34, and 35 MDBM; in the Crandall Peak, Stanislaus, and Boards Crossing USGS 7.5 minute quadrangles, between Skull Creek and Griswold Creek, and between Calaveras Big Tree State Park and Griswold Creek in Tuolumne County.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2016-0010-R4, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Sierra Pacific Industries. Project activities include installation of temporary crossings, permanent vented ford, temporary impoundments, and operations, and other activities at water drafting sites, related to the Skull Knoll Timber Harvest Plan in Tuolumne County, No. 4-16-001/TUO.

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

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
- CDFW considered the Timber Harvest Plan prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act and the California Forest Practice Rules, a CEQA-equivalent California Certified Regulatory Program.
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to the Provisions of CEQA.

The Timber Harvest Plan prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

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Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Date: 5/14/19

MAY 15 2019

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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