

CHAPTER 4 MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XVIII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE.				
a) Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (“Cumulatively considerable” means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Less Than Significant Impact. The project has been designed to incorporate the vegetation management procedures and mitigation measures provided in this IS/MND to assure that vegetation management activities along the powerline do not degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, and/or reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal. The procedures and mitigation measures contained in this IS/MND will act as enforceable criteria under which vegetation management activities can be implemented in the future.

The Hobbs, Wall logging railroad site identified as historically significant will be avoided during vegetation management activities on the powerline ROW (Cultural Resources Mitigation Measure CR-1). Should any previously unknown cultural resources be identified, Cultural Resources Mitigation Measure CR-2 and procedures described herein will result in their being protected, and flagged, and reported to State Parks. Thus, a less than significant impact will occur.



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Less Than Significant Impact. The proposed project would not result in any significant project-level environmental impacts. No project impacts exceed a level of less than significant with mitigation, and many are deemed as no impact. None of the project’s impacts have been identified as cumulatively considerable.

- c) *Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?*

Less Than Significant Impact. Human beings that could be directly affected by environmental effects from the proposed project are limited primarily to either work crews and State Park employees or visitors. Adherence to all applicable rules and regulations, State Park policies, and project procedures and mitigation measures will limit all impacts to a less than significant level. An indirect impact on human beings could potentially occur if proposed vegetation management activities were going to limit park visitation or remove acreage from public use. Neither of these impacts will occur. The project impact level for direct and indirect effects on human beings is less than significant.