



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: State Clearinghouse
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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SUBJECT: Filing of the Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code.

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2010092023

PROJECT TITLE: Browns Ravine Trail Change-in-Use

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PROJECT LOCATION: Folsom Lake State Recreation Area, El Dorado County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) proposes to implement the Browns Ravine Trail Change-in-Use Project to allow bicycle use at Folsom Lake State Recreation Area under the process outlined in the California State Parks Road and Trail Change-in-Use Evaluation Process Program EIR (CIU EIR) approved in 2013. The Browns Ravine Trail is located in Folsom Lake State Recreation Area, which is approximately 25 miles east of Sacramento, off Highway 50. The 11-mile Browns Ravine Trail traverses primarily undulating terrain through grassland, oak woodland, oak savanna, ruderal and riparian habitats between Browns Ravine and Old Salmon Falls.

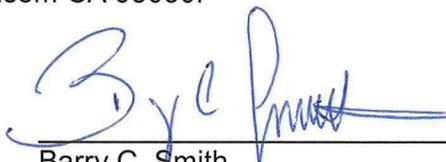
Project-level review has been completed and staff has determined that the project is covered under the CIU Program EIR, with the adoption of specific Standard Project Requirements and Mitigation Measures from the CIU EIR (CEQA Guidelines 15168) and implementation of the project description. The request to add bicycle use to the Browns Ravine Trail was approved with design and management modifications. The Change-in-use evaluation process determined that the addition of bicycle use on the Browns Ravine Trail could be accommodated in a safe and sustainable manner and would not have significant effects to natural or cultural resources if recommended trail design and management modifications are implemented. The major trail design modifications include: trail reroutes; trail reconstruction; installation of three short trail bridges; installation of armored crossings, turnpike/causeway, drain dips and other drainage structures; installation of tread widening; installation of pinch points (designed to slow cyclist where safety could be a concern); and removal and rehabilitation of rerouted trails to natural conditions. Trail widths would generally remain approximately 4 feet, except for locations where significant resources would constrain widths or safety concerns would necessitate increased widths. The trail would remain native surface with the exception of small areas of rock or aggregate backfill, and bridge and boardwalk decking surfaces which will be redwood lumber.

This is to advise that the California Department of Parks and Recreation has approved the above project on June 17, 2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
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2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Program Environmental Impact Report, the *Road and Trail Change-in-Use Evaluation Process*, has been completed in compliance with CEQA, and has been presented to the decision-making body of this Department for its independent review and consideration of the information, prior to approval of the project.
3. Mitigation measures were were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was was not adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings were were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Programmatic Environmental Impact Report and record of project approval is available to the General Public at the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Folsom Sector Office, located at 7755 Folsom Auburn Road, Folsom CA 95630.



Barry C. Smith
District Superintendent
Gold Fields District

6/16/22
Date
