

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research
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FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2021100580

PROJECT NUMBER: 8748-110

PROJECT TITLE: Big Sandy Rancheria Wastewater System Improvements (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Big Sandy Rancheria, one mile east of Auberry in Fresno County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is the Lead Agency for the Project. The Project involves the construction and operation of a new wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and associated wastewater collection system within the Big Sandy Rancheria (BSR). The project site consists of the area in which the following components would be located: the proposed WWTP site; proposed wastewater collection pipelines and two lift stations that would accommodate 57 service connections; abandonment of 56 existing septic systems; and electrical improvements to facilitate the new components.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved the Project described above on December 19, 2024. The Big Sandy Rancheria of Western Mono Indians of California will be carrying out the Project. The State Water Board has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and adopted for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted for the Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for the Project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15091.

LEAD AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board

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A record of Project approval, adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and an analysis of environmental alternatives for the Project are available upon request to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

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