California Department of Water Resources

Delta Dams Rodent Burrow Remediation Project

Certification of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Adoption of a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Delta Dams Rodent Burrow Remediation Project.

The California Department of Water Resources prepared a Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to evaluate the environmental impacts of the proposed Delta Dams Rodent Burrow Remediation Project. The proposed project is to perform rodent burrow remediation at Clifton Court Forebay, Dyer Reservoir, and Patterson Reservoir. The project consists of collapsing and/or excavating rodent burrows, backfilling the dam surface, and compacting the soil. Measures to prevent future burrowing include placing wire and rock over the earthen dam face. The Draft IS/MND was submitted to the State Clearinghouse ([SCH] No. 2021120060) for public review from December 3, 2021 to January 3, 2022.

Public Comments

DWR received letters from the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Comments were addressed in the IS/MND.

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Certification:

I hereby certify that the Lead Agency listed above has determined that it has complied with the CEQA for the project identified above and that the project is described in adequate and sufficient detail to allow the project's construction or acquisition.

I certify that the CEQA analysis for this project encompasses all aspects of the work to be completed and that all environmental impacts will be mitigated to a level of insignificance. The Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program is also hereby adopted.

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