

Appendix A: Reclamation's Cultural Resources Determination

CULTURAL RESOURCES COMPLIANCE
Division of Environmental Affairs
Cultural Resources Branch (MP-153)

MP-153 Tracking Number: 18-SCAO-038

Project Name: Hilton Creek Gravel Augmentation Project

NEPA Document: CEC-17-048

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Reclamation proposes to authorize the implementation of a gravel augmentation project in Hilton Creek by the Cachuma Operation Maintenance Board. The project intends to improve the quantity and quality of spawning and incubation habitat within Hilton Creek below Bradbury Dam, in Santa Barbara County, California. Gravel will be manually placed along the streambanks and will be purchased from a commercial source. Existing access and staging areas will be used for delivery of the gravel, with the gravel hand carried to the injection sites.

Reclamation has determined that authorizing the gravel augmentation is the type of activity that does not have the potential to cause effects on historic properties pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.3(a)(1). As such, Reclamation has no further obligations under Title 54 U.S.C. § 306108, commonly known as Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). The proposed action will not have significant impacts on properties listed or eligible for listing in the in the National Register of Historic Places.

This document conveys the completion of the cultural resources review and Section 106 process for this undertaking. Please retain a copy with the administrative record for this action. Should the proposed action change, additional review under Section 106, possibly including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, may be required.