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Letter of Compliance Completion

To: Andrea Lind, Project Manager, Denver Service Center

From: Cicely Muldoon, Superintendent, Yosemite National Park

Subject: NEPA and NHPA Clearance: 2021-088 Tuolumne River Plan Implementation: Rehabilitate Tuolumne Meadows Campground (91588)

The Superintendent and park interdisciplinary team have reviewed the proposed project and completed an impact analysis and documentation, and have determined the following:

- There will not be any effect on threatened, endangered, or rare species and/or their critical habitat.
- There will be an adverse effect to historic properties, which is resolved through a Memorandum of Agreement.
- There will not be serious or long-term undesirable environmental or visual effects.

The subject proposed project is cleared for all NEPA and NHPA compliance requirements as presented above. Project plans and specifications are approved and construction and/or project implementation can commence.

Required Mitigation - The following mitigation must be adhered to in addition to attached mitigation measures:

- All mitigation measures included in the Tuolumne Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive Management Plan Appendix E are included by reference and must be incorporated into the construction and rehabilitation activities associated with this project (see attachment one).
- Submit a construction work plan/schedule that minimizes construction-related noise in noise-sensitive areas to the park for review/approval prior to commencement of construction activities.
- Develop an emergency notification plan that complies with park, federal, and state requirements and allows contractors to properly notify park, federal, and/or state personnel in the event of an emergency during construction activities. This plan will address notification requirements related to fire, personnel, and/or visitor injury, releases of spilled material, evacuation processes, etc. The emergency notification plan will be submitted to the park for review/approval prior to commencement of construction activities.
- Apply for and comply with all federal and state permits required for construction-related activities, including the California Regional Water Quality Control Board and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- Construction personnel will adhere to park regulations concerning food storage and refuse management. All food will be properly stored during the workday and will be removed from the site at the end of each workday.
- Supervisory construction personnel shall attend an Environmental Protection briefing provided by the park prior to working on site. This briefing is designed to familiarize workers with statutory and

contractual environmental requirements and the recognition of and protection measures for archeological sites, sensitive habitats, water resources, and wildlife habitats.

- Prepare a Health and Safety Plan to address health and safety issues, compliance with OSHA standards, and other regulations relevant to contracted work. Submit the plan for NPS review and approval prior to construction.
- Prevent the introduction of exotic species in the project area and staging areas. Prior to entry into the park, steam-clean heavy equipment to prevent importation of non-native plant species. Tighten hydraulic fittings, ensure hydraulic hoses are in good condition (and replace if damaged), and repair all petroleum leaks. Ensure all earth moving equipment enters the Park free of dirt, dust, mud, seeds, and other potential contaminants. Ensure the park inspects all heavy equipment entering the park prior to commencing work.
- The site shall be inspected for Threatened & Endangered species immediately prior to work at this site by the Natural Resource Management Specialist. It is up to the project leader to notify the local Natural Resource Management Specialist within two weeks of project start to ensure that schedules can be accommodated.
- Adhere to Conservation Meadows and Terms of the USFWS Biological Opinion on the Tuolumne River Plan (pages 9-12 and 28-30 including: conduct pre-work surveys, delay project start dates until toad breeding is complete (typically 2 weeks from start of breeding), and do not use plastic mono-filament netting or similar materials for erosion control."
- The location of all potential utility lines shall be field located and marked prior to work to avoid disturbance conflict.
- Project limits of disturbance (LOD) will be clearly marked and verified prior to any construction work. No work shall be conducted beyond the marked LOD.
- All hazardous spills shall be immediately contained. Immediate notification of the spills shall be made to the following: Derrick Jones, Safety Occupational Health Manager, 209-379-1079.
- All hazardous waste shall be contained and disposed of at approved disposal sites in accordance with federal, state, and local laws.
- Wetland mitigations shall need to be included within project planning, based on wetland mitigation information for jurisdictional NPS wetlands, and other federal and state wetland mitigation regulations.
- In the event of the discovery of unanticipated cultural resources, work will halt and the archeologist will be contacted. Work will not resume until archeologist gives approval to resume.
- Archeological monitoring required.
- A 401 certification and 404 permit will be acquired for this project prior to construction. The contractor will adhere to all mitigation measures identified in the certification/permit

There are no NHPA Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations identified.

Superintendent: _____ **Cicely Muldoon** **Date:** _____ **June 25, 2021**
Cicely Muldoon

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Categorical Exclusion Documentation Form (CE Form)

Project: Tuolumne River Plan Implementation: Rehabilitate Tuolumne Meadows Campground

PEPC Project Number: 91588

Description of Action (Project Description):

This project was selected for implementation in the 2014 Record of Decision for the Tuolumne River Plan (TRP)/EIS (PEPC 14043). This project must adhere to mitigation and stipulations specified in the Final EIS/Record of Decision; the standard NHPA Section 106 process, the Biological Opinion for the TRP, and permit requirements.

This project will remove campsites and roads out of the floodplain, add restrooms, formalize campsites, improve the trail system, upgrade the amphitheater, and overhaul water and wastewater lines in the Tuolumne Meadows Campground. The design will retain the current capacity of 329 sites (including 304 tent/RV sites, four horse campsites, and 21 backpacker sites) and seven group sites. Campground improvements include:

- Restore wetland areas along the Tuolumne River; remove social trails from fragile riverbank areas and focus visitor use along the river to areas that can accommodate foot traffic. Remove boulder riprap at the top of the A Loop.
- Reestablish campsite boundaries and replace campsite furnishings including picnic tables, fire rings, and food storage containers.
- Add two 500 square-foot Architectural Barriers Act Accessibility Standards (ABAAS) compliant restrooms. Design the new restrooms with historic building design concepts updated to meet modern standards.
- Repair and upgrade eight existing restrooms; the first restroom constructed in 1931, three Civilian Conservation Corps restrooms, and four Mission 66 restrooms. All eight restrooms require modifications to meet ABAAS requirements, update interior finishes, and rehabilitate select exterior finishes. One Mission 66 restroom has a collapsed roof beam which requires repair.
- Remove campsites (21) in the A Loop that are within 100 feet of the Tuolumne River to at least 150 feet away from the river to protect riparian resources. To accommodate the removed campsites, create a new Loop H within the campground boundaries, adding 44 campsites. Seven sites will be added to the backpacker's camp at the end of A Loop. The realigned loop will be a two-way 22-foot wide loop for vehicularly accessed tent campsites, walk-in campsites, and a new restroom. Remove eight campsites in C Loop and remove one campsite in F Loop. Convert the east side of the A Loop Road to a trail, preserving alignment, width, surfacing and design. Retain the existing number of campsites.
- Replace the entire water system in the campground providing water service to the eight existing restroom buildings and two new restroom buildings. In addition to the restroom buildings, the new water system will provide water service to hose bibs located outside each restroom building and spaced throughout the campground.
- Replace portions of the sanitary sewer system that was not replaced during prior of 1995 sanitary sewer system improvements. Set new manholes at existing and new restroom buildings for easier access. Install new utility lines along the alignment of the existing sewer lines. Install all new sewer lines as gravity sewer lines.
- Replace the existing pit toilet used by winter skiers with a vault toilet.

- Formalize the John Muir Trail connection between the campground and the Tuolumne Meadows store and grill.
- Clearly identify paths of travel within campsites and between campsites, restrooms, and other amenities within the campground; discourage social trails where feasible; and restore impacted areas to natural conditions.
- Repair the deteriorated Dana Campfire Circle and provide accessibility upgrades.
- Add a 20-foot-wide secondary ingress/egress between the Tioga Road and Loop D for administrative use at the west end of the campground. This ingress/egress was in use for many decades but has not been open in recent years.

Mitigation

See Letter of Compliance Completion Form for mitigations.

CE Citation: A.1 Changes or amendments to an approved action when such changes would cause no or only minimal environmental impact.

Decision: I find that the action fits within the categorical exclusion above. Therefore, I am categorically excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No extraordinary circumstances apply.

Superintendent: Cicely Muldoon **Date:** June 25, 2021
Cicely Muldoon

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Extraordinary Circumstances:

If implemented, would the proposal...	Yes/No	Notes
A. Have significant impacts on public health or safety?	No	
B. Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation, or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas?	No	
C. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA section 102(2)(E))?	No	
D. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?	No	
E. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?	No	
F. [Repealed per DOI] Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?	No	No longer applicable per the updated 2020 CEQ NEPA regulations and DOI direction
G. Have significant impacts on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, as determined by either the bureau or office?	No	MOA completed and signed 6/10/2021 to resolve adverse effect on cultural landscape
H. Have significant impacts on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species?	No	
I. Violate a federal, state, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?	No	
J. Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (EO 12898)?	No	
K. Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (EO 130007)?	No	
L. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112)?	No	



ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING FORM (ESF)

A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title:	Tuolumne River Plan Implementation: Rehabilitate Tuolumne Meadows Campground
Project Type:	Repair/Rehabilitation (REHAB)
Project Location:	Tuolumne County, California
Project Leader:	Andrea Lind

B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

See Categorical Exclusion form

C. RESOURCE IMPACTS TO CONSIDER:

Resource	Potential Impact	Potential Issues & Impacts
Air Air Quality	None	
Biological Nonnative or Exotic Species <i>Invasive plants</i>	Potential	Issue: Ground-disturbing activities and use of heavy equipment could promote introduction and spread of invasive plants Impact: Contract specs will include measures to halt introduction and spread of invasive plants, such as heavy equipment inspections prior to site entry (see mitigations).
Biological Species of Special Concern or Their Habitat <i>Yosemite toad and Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog</i>	Potential	Issue: Construction and restoration activities could harm Yosemite toad and Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog Impact: A USFWS Biological Opinion (BO) is in place to protect the Yosemite toad and Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog. The project will adhere to conservation measures required in the BO.
Biological Vegetation	None	
Biological Wildlife and/or Wildlife Habitat	None	
Cultural Archeological Resources <i>Archeological Resources</i>	Potential	Issue: The project is within the Tuolumne Meadows Archeological District, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Sites within the project area include CA-TUO-2810, -2811, -2812, and -3561. Sites CA-TUO-2810 and -2812 were determined ineligible due to lack of findings and extensive disturbance associated with construction and use of the campground. Sites CA-TUO-2811 and -3561 were determined ineligible and have had their research potential exhausted through previous archeological data recovery and construction monitoring. Rehabilitation of

		<p>the campground will involve ground disturbance within all four archeological sites identified in the project area.</p> <p>Impact: The anticipated disturbance within sites CA-TUO-2810, -2811, -2812 and -3561 is anticipated to be largely within locations previously disturbed by construction and decades of use of the campground. The park's compliance archeologist assessed the project as having no adverse effect to archeological resources.</p>
Cultural Cultural Landscapes <i>Cultural landscape</i>	Potential	<p>Issue: The eastern half of the A Loop vehicle/pedestrian road would be converted to a trail, which would retain the original Meinecke campground circulation. The project would protect and repair vegetation and vegetation patterns that contribute to the campground's historic character and protect the natural setting of the Tuolumne Meadows Campground. This project would have an adverse effect to the historic district because of the removal of campsites and construction of the new Loop H.</p> <p>Impact: A MOA is in place (signed 6/10/2021) to resolve adverse issues</p>
Cultural Ethnographic Resources <i>Historic Properties with Religious and Cultural Significance</i>	Potential	<p>Issue: While there are no documented Historic Properties with Religious and Cultural Significance within the APE, tribal consultation is ongoing and tribal resource information could arise in the future.</p> <p>Impact: The park's anthropologist has assessed the project as having no adverse effect to historic properties with religious and cultural significance.</p>
Cultural Museum Collections	None	
Cultural Prehistoric/historic structures <i>Historic Buildings</i>	Potential	<p>Issue: There would be no adverse effect to the four original comfort stations built in a rustic architectural style or the four Mission 66 comfort stations. The existing comfort station buildings would be rehabilitated to address accessibility code compliance and to repair damaged materials. The new comfort stations were designed to be compatible with this historic district with size, masing, design, and exterior finishes.</p> <p>Impact: Finishes and rehabilitation activities of historic restrooms are compatible with the historic character of the buildings.</p>
Geological Geologic Features	None	
Geological Geologic Processes	None	
Lightsapes Lightsapes	None	
Other Human Health and Safety <i>Park visitors</i>	Potential	<p>Issue: Construction activities may result in safety considerations for visitors.</p> <p>Impact: The park will close the campground during construction to avoid potential work/visitor safety issues. The contractor will submit a Safety Plan to protect workers and visitors</p>
Other Operational <i>Operational issues</i>	Potential	<p>Issue: Numerous potential issues associated with campground closure during construction</p>

		Impact: Park will address issues in the year prior to construction start. Foreseeable issues will be addressed. Public outreach prior to and during the construction will inform visitors of the closing and projected opening dates for the campground.
Other Operational <i>Operational issues</i>	Potential	Issue: Numerous potential issues associated with campground closure during construction Impact: Park will address issues in the year prior to construction start. Foreseeable issues will be addressed.
Other Other <i>Hazardous materials</i>	Potential	Issue: Construction activities will require use of hazardous materials Impact: Contractor will submit a hazardous materials plan for park approval
Socioeconomic Land Use	None	
Socioeconomic Minority and low-income populations, size, migration patterns, etc.	None	
Socioeconomic	None	
Soundscapes Soundscapes <i>Soundscape</i>	Potential	Issue: Temporary soundscape impacts during construction Impact: Contractor will adhere to noise protections on heavy equipment. Campground will be closed, eliminating noise impacts to campers.
Viewsheds	None	
Visitor Use and Experience Recreation Resources <i>Demand for campsites</i>	Potential	Issue: Campground closure during construction Impact: Campsite supply in the park will be reduced during campground closure.
Visitor Use and Experience	None	
Water Floodplains <i>Floodplain</i>	Potential	Issue: Health and safety risks, protection of capital investments Impact: High-magnitude floods occur in the campground area outside the season when the campground is open and there is a nominal risk to human health and safety. All campsites are outside the 100-year floodplain and there is a nominal risk to small capital investments such as campsite furnishings. The project will enhance floodplain values by moving campsites from within 100 feet of the Tuolumne River and changing the campsite access road to a trail.
Water Marine or Estuarine Resources	None	

Water Water Quality or Quantity	None	
Water Wetlands <i>Wetlands</i>		<p>Issue: There may be small areas where fill will be placed in wetlands such as marginal road widening that requires a longer culvert and in creating an accessible trail to the Dana Campfire Circle</p> <p>Impact: The park will obtain necessary CWA 401 permits and 404 water quality certifications and adhere to conditions in the permit.</p>
Water Wild and Scenic River	None	
Wilderness	None	



ASSESSMENT OF ACTIONS HAVING AN EFFECT ON HISTORIC PROPERTIES

A. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING

1. Park: Yosemite National Park

2. Project Description

Project Name: Tuolumne River Plan Implementation: Rehabilitate Tuolumne Meadows Campground

Prepared by: Erin Davenport **Date Prepared:** **Telephone:** (209) 379-1067

PEPC Project Number: 91588

County, State: Tuolumne, CA

Describe project: See Categorical Exclusion form

3. Has the area of potential effects been surveyed to identify historic properties?

	No
X	Yes

4. Potentially Affected Resource(s):

Archeological Resources Present: Yes

Property Name: Tuolumne Meadow Archeological District

Archeological Resources Notes: Area has been disturbed in the past through construction and decades of use of the campground.

Historical Structures/Resources Present: Yes

Property Name: Tuolumne Meadows Historic District

Location: Tuolumne Meadows

Cultural Landscapes Present: Yes

Ethnographic Resources Present:

5. The proposed action will: (check as many as apply)

Yes	Destroy, remove, or alter features/elements from a historic structure
Yes	Replace historic features/elements in kind
Yes	Add non-historic features/elements to a historic structure
No	Alter or remove features/elements of a historic setting or environment (inc. terrain)
No	Add non-historic features/elements (inc. visual, audible, or atmospheric) to a historic setting or cultural landscape
No	Disturb, destroy, or make archeological resources inaccessible
No	Disturb, destroy, or make ethnographic resources inaccessible
Yes	Potentially affect presently unidentified cultural resources
No	Begin or contribute to deterioration of historic features, terrain, setting, landscape elements, or archeological or ethnographic resources
No	Involve a real property transaction (exchange, sale, or lease of land or structures)
	Other (please specify):

6. Supporting Study Data:

(Attach if feasible; if action is in a plan, EA or EIS, give name and project or page number.)

B. REVIEWS BY CULTURAL RESOURCE SPECIALISTS

The park 106 coordinator requested review by the park's cultural resource specialist/advisors as indicated by check-off boxes or as follows:

[X] 106 Advisor

Name: Hope Schear

Date: 06/10/2021

Comments: NHPA compliance complete. In response to the adverse effect for removing contributing campsites CA SHPO responded with a signed and executed MOA on 6/10/2021.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: ☐ No Potential to Cause Effect ☐ No Historic Properties Affected ☐ No Adverse Effect ☒ Adverse Effect ☐ Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

Doc Method: Standard 4-Step Process

[X] Anthropologist

Name: Liz Williams

Date: 05/03/2021

Comments: To date, meetings with tribes have not elicited any comments regarding adverse effects.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: ☐ No Potential to Cause Effect ☐ No Historic Properties Affected ☒ No Adverse Effect ☐ Adverse Effect ☐ Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

Doc Method: Standard 4-Step Process

[X] Archeologist

Name: Wesley Wills

Date: 04/14/2021

Comments: The project area was most recently archeologically surveyed in 2019. It is within the Tuolumne Meadows Archeological District, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Sites within the project area include CA-TUO-2810, -2811, -2812, and -3561. Sites CA-TUO-2810 and -2812 were determined ineligible due to lack of findings (i.e., very minimal obsidian debitage) and extensive disturbance associated with construction and use of the campground. Sites CA-TUO-2811 and -3561 have had their research potential exhausted through archeological testing and construction monitoring and are not eligible. The potential for inadvertent discoveries and any discoveries of significance is very low.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: ☐ No Potential to Cause Effect ☐ No Historic Properties Affected ☒ No Adverse Effect ☐ Adverse Effect ☐ Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations: Remaining archeological study should be limited to site record updates for CA-TUO-2810, -2811, -2812, and -3561 to reflect post-construction status of the resources, such as new photos, updates to the sketch maps, and associated details incorporated into site record and condition assessment databases. No construction monitoring is recommended.

Doc Method: Standard 4-Step Process

[X] Historical Architect

Name: Sueann Brown

Date: 04/28/2021

Comments: This project includes multiple changes to the historic campground. These changes include removing historic camp sites and adding camp sites and comfort stations in historic open space. The park has made an effort to have the design of these changes follow the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. The proposed work on the historic buildings and the design of the new buildings meet the Standards. Despite efforts to minimize the effects the project requirement to remove historic camp sites along the river will result in an adverse effect, both due to the loss of those sites and the impact of establishing new sites to replace them.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: ___No Potential to Cause Effect ___No Historic Properties Affected ___No Adverse Effect ___X Adverse Effect ___Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

Doc Method: Standard 4-Step Process

[X] Historical Landscape Architect

Name: Vida Germano

Date: 04/13/2021

Comments: This project, while minimizing the changes to contributing resources and character-defining features as much as possible, will have an adverse effect to the historic district because of the removal of contributing campground sites (loop A). There are no alternatives to this removal, and the greatest amount of contributing resources have been retained and alterations to contributing resources and character-defining features throughout the remainder of the historic district meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards.

According to the project description, 21 campsites will be removed from Loop A due to the new road that is cutting through the loop, including six campsites being relocated away from the river. The changes consist of reorganizing the historic spatial organization of Loop A to accommodate the new campsites and integrating many more campsites into the other loops.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: ___No Potential to Cause Effect ___No Historic Properties Affected ___No Adverse Effect ___X Adverse Effect ___Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations: Recommend that a historical architect review this project and comment.

Doc Method: Standard 4-Step Process

No Reviews From: Curator, Historian, Other Advisor

C. PARK SECTION 106 COORDINATOR'S REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Assessment of Effect:

	No Potential to Cause Effects
	No Historic Properties Affected
	No Adverse Effect
X	Adverse Effect

2. Documentation Method:

☒ **A. Standard 36 CFR Part 800 Consultation**

Further consultation under 36 CFR Part 800 is needed.

☐ **B. Streamlined Review Under the 2008 Servicewide Programmatic Agreement (PA)**

The above action meets all conditions for a streamlined review under section III of the 2008 Servicewide PA for Section 106 compliance.

Applicable Streamlined Review Criteria

(Specify 1-16 of the list of streamlined review criteria.)

☐ **C. Undertaking Related to Park Specific or Another Agreement**

The proposed undertaking is covered for Section 106 purposes under another document such as a park, region or statewide agreement established in accord with 36 CFR 800.7 or 36 CFR 800.14.

☐ **D. Combined NEPA/NHPA Process**

Process and documentation required for the preparation of an EA/FONSI or an EIS/ROD to comply with Section 106 is in accord with 36 CFR 800.8.c.

☐ **E. Memo to Project File**

3. Consultation Information

SHPO Required: Yes

SHPO Sent: Steps 1 and 2 sent 11/20/2020; Steps 3 and 4 sent 4/29/2021; final MOA sent 6/8/2021

SHPO Received: Steps 1 and 2 SHPO response received 12/29/2020; Steps 3 and 4 response received 5/26/2021; Final MOA response received 6/10/2021

THPO Required: No

THPO Sent:

THPO Received:

SHPO/THPO Notes:

Advisory Council Participating: Yes

Advisory Council Notes: ACHP contacted via digital e106 process.

Additional Consulting Parties: No

4. Stipulations and Conditions: Following are listed any stipulations or conditions necessary to ensure that the assessment of effect above is consistent with 36 CFR Part 800 criteria of effect or to avoid or reduce potential adverse effects.

5. Mitigations/Treatment Measures: Measures to prevent or minimize loss or impairment of historic/prehistoric properties: (Remember that setting, location, and use may be relevant.)

Required Mitigations - For the proposed project actions to be within compliance requirements during construction and/or project implementation, the following mitigations must be adhered to:

- In the event of the discovery of unanticipated cultural resources, work will halt and the archeologist will be contacted. Work will not resume until archeologist gives approval to resume.
- Archeological monitoring required.

6. Assessment of Effect Notes

The eastern half of the A Loop vehicle/pedestrian road would be converted to a trail, which would retain the original Meinecke campground circulation. The project would protect and repair vegetation and vegetation patterns that contribute to the campground's historic character and protect the natural setting of the Tuolumne Meadows Campground. This project, while minimizing the changes to contributing resources and character-defining features, would have an adverse effect to the historic district because of the relocation of 21 campsites. There are no alternatives to this relocation that would meet essential river protection goals for the project, and the

greatest amount of contributing resources have been retained. Alterations to contributing resources and character-defining features throughout the remainder of the historic district meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards

D. RECOMMENDED BY PARK SECTION 106 COORDINATOR

106 Coordinator _____ **Date:** _____
Hope Schear
Hope Schear

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S APPROVAL

The proposed work conforms to the NPS *Management Policies* and *Cultural Resource Management Guideline*, and I have reviewed and approve the recommendations, stipulations, or conditions noted in Section C of this form.

Superintendent _____ **Date:** _____
Cicely Muldoon
Cicely Muldoon

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Other Compliance/Consultations

Park Name: Yosemite National Park

PEPC Project Number: 91588

Project Title: Tuolumne River Plan Implementation: Rehabilitate Tuolumne Meadows Campground

Project Type: Repair/Rehabilitation

County, State: Tuolumne, CA

Project Leader: Andrea Lind

Endangered Species Act

Any Federal Species in the project Area? Yes

If species in area: Not Likely to Adversely Affect

Was Biological Assessment prepared? Yes

If Biological Assessment prepared, concurred? Yes

Formal Consultation required? Yes

Formal Consultation Notes:

Biological Opinion on the Tuolumne Wild and Scenic River Plan, Yosemite, California, and the Threatened Yosemite toad and the Endangered Sierra Nevada Yellow-legged Frog concluded on June 20, 2014.

Formal Consultation Concluded: Jun 20, 2014

Any State listed Species in the Project Area?

Consultation Information:

General Notes:

Data Entered By:	Lisa Acree	Date:	April 29, 2021
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ESA Mitigations

Mitigation ID	Text
115745	The site shall be inspected for Threatened & Endangered species immediately prior to work at this site by a Yosemite wildlife biologist. The project leader will notify the biologist within two weeks of project start to accommodate schedules.

Floodplains/Wetlands/§404 Permits

Question	Yes	No	Details
A.1. Is project in 100- or 500-year floodplain or flash flood hazard area?	Yes		Floodplain SOF for replacement of the skier's vault toilet was signed on 6/9/2021. High-magnitude floods occur in the campground area outside the season when the campground is open and there is a nominal risk to human health and safety. All campsites are outside the 100-year floodplain and there is a nominal risk to small capital investments such as campsite furnishings. The project will enhance floodplain values by moving campsites from within 100 feet of the Tuolumne River and changing the campground access road to a trail.
A.2. Is Project in wetlands as defined by NPS/DOI?	Yes		Determined to be exempt from compliance with Director's Order #77-1 and no Wetland Statement of Findings required.

B. COE Section 404 permit needed?	Yes		Request Date: In process Issue Date: Expiration Date:
C. State 401 certification?	Yes		In process
D. State Section 401 Permit?		No	Issue Date: Expiration Date:
E. Tribal Water Quality Permit?		No	
F. CZM Consistency determination needed?		No	Date Review Requested: Date Reply Received: Date State Concurred:
G. Erosion & Sediment Control Plan Required?	Yes		Contractor to prepare NPDES permit
H. Any other permits required?		No	
Other Information:			Floodplain SOF for replacement of the skier's vault toilet was signed on 6/9/2021, see attachment three. High-magnitude floods occur in the campground area outside the season when the campground is open and there is a nominal risk to human health and safety. All campsites are outside the 100-year floodplain and there is a nominal risk to small capital investments such as campsite furnishings. The project will enhance floodplain values by moving campsites from within 100 feet of the Tuolumne River and changing the campground access road to a trail.
Data Entered By:	Brenna McGown		Date: June 9, 2021

Floodplain & Wetland Mitigations

Mitigation ID	Text
115739	Follow wetland protection measures identified in Tuolumne River Plan mitigation and permits

Wilderness

Question	Yes	No	
A. Does this project occur in or adjacent to Designated, Recommended, Proposed, Study, Eligible, or Potential Wilderness?		No	
B. Is the only place to conduct this project in wilderness?		No	
C. Is the project necessary for the administration of the area as wilderness?		No	
D. Would the project or any of its alternatives adversely affect (directly or indirectly) Designated, Recommended, Proposed, Study, Eligible, or Potential Wilderness? (If Yes, Minimum Requirements Analysis required)		No	
E. Does the project or any of its alternatives involve the use of any of the Wilderness Act Section 4(c) prohibited uses: commercial enterprise, permanent road, temporary road, motor vehicles, motorized equipment, motorboats,		No	

landing of aircraft, mechanical transport, structure, or installation? (If Yes, Minimum Requirements Analysis required)				
If the answer to D or E above is "Yes" then a Minimum Requirements Analysis is required. Describe the status of this analysis in the column to the right.				
Other Information:				
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Other Permits/Laws *Questions A & B are no longer used.*

Question	Yes	No
C. Wild and scenic river concerns exist?	Yes	
D. National Trails concerns exist?		No
E. Air Quality consult with State needed?		No
F. Consistent with Architectural Barriers, Rehabilitation, and Americans with Disabilities Acts or not Applicable? (If N/A check Yes)	Yes	
G. Other:		

Other Information:

Project will enact provisions of the Tuolumne Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive Management Plan to protect the Tuolumne River. See attachment two for a section 7 determination and avoid, minimize, and restore mitigations specific to the Tuolumne Wild and Scenic River.

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