

NARRATIVE

Report:

On May 14, 2025, at approximately 1300 hours, I was in full uniform and with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) staff Lt. Nicholas and Wildlife Senior Environmental Scientist Matthew Mitchell. Lt. Nicholas and I were in full uniform and patrolling in a fully marked patrol vehicle. We were following up on a complaint of a suspected environmental impact resulting from grading within several ephemeral streams at 14800 Modesta View Ct, Anderson, Shasta County (Assessor's Parcel Number 041-350-061-000). The property is owned by two subjects (later identified by California Driver's License as Amrit Kulasekaran and Mohit Kulasekaran). Upon arriving at the location, I observed Amrit operating a heavy equipment dozer and conducting grading operations.

Lt. Nicholas, Matthew Mitchell and I made contact with both subjects, I introduced myself to them as a Warden with Fish and Wildlife. I explained to Mohit that we received a complaint of possible sediment going into drainage streams and then possibly into the Clear Creek watershed. I asked both subjects if it was ok if we could enter their property to inspect the suspected complaint. Both subjects politely agreed to let us conduct our investigation on their property. Both subjects showed us around their property as we took notes and gathered information regarding the drainages.

The property consisted of largely undeveloped fire-scarred oak-savannah with steep, sloping hills, canyons, and ridges. Development of the property was limited to grading of hilltops, ridges, slopes, and drainages with bisecting access roads, within an approximately 3-acre area. Evidence of recent grading was observed throughout the site including freshly turned, moist earth, and equipment tracks. Grading was actively conducted upon the arrival of CDFW staff.

Grading and soil stockpiling was documented where it has or may affect the streams and no erosion control measures to stabilize bare soil were observed. All streams were dry at the time of inspection.

CDFW staff documented unauthorized activities on five unnamed ephemeral streams tributary to Clear Creek that substantially changed a stream's bed, channel, and bank; obstructed the natural flow of a stream; and/or placed sediment where it can pass or has passed into waters of the state. The streams exhibited physical characteristics of flow including the presence of natural bed, bank, and channel, and/or evidence of recurring seasonal flow. The five tributaries are considered streams for Fish and Game Code section 1602 and are waters of the state for Fish and Game Code section 5650. Adverse environmental impacts have already occurred and will worsen with time due to the substandard construction, maintenance, and lack of site management practices utilized. (Please see attached report of Environmental Impact Report from Matthew Mitchell).

Upon inspection of the property, CDFW staff observed a total of five tributaries being affected with a total of 15 violations of Fish and Game Code. Two tributaries were affected by (3) violations of Fish and Game Code 1602(a)- Substantial obstruction of natural flow without prior notification, and (3) violations of Fish and Game Code 1602(a)- For substantial change or use of material from bed, channel or banks without prior notification. Totalling (6) 1602(a) violations. Five tributaries were affected by (5) violations of Fish and Game Code 5650(a)(6)- Placement of deleterious material

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Date/Time of Incident/Occurrence 05/14/2025 13:00		City/County/Judicial Jurisdiction SHASTA SUPERIOR COURT	
Type of Arrest FORMAL COMPLAINT		Type of Contact COMPLAINT	RMS Case Number: FW-2507-0895
Type of Report FISH & GAME CODE			
Location/Subject/Incident Name CLEAR CREEK ROAD/ KULASEKARAN, MOHIT/ KULASEKARAN, AMRIT/ MATCHED ISSUES (sediment) where it may pass into waters of the state, and (4) violations of Fish and Game Code 5650(a)(6)- Placement of deleterious material (sediment) within waters of the state.			Arresting/Case Officer GIBSON, ZACHARY T 0830
After inspection of the property I explained to both subjects, they were in violation of the Fish and Game Code. Both subjects were informed to stop all operations in the streams or drainages without first acquiring the proper permit. The CDFW Lake or Streambed Alteration (LSA) Program reviews notifications and takes into consideration existing diversions based on existing water rights and available resources as well as the cumulative effects associated with all water diversions in a given watershed. These alterations, obstructions, and diversion activities were undertaken without prior notification to CDFW's LSA Program pursuant to F&GC section 1602(a). As of today, there are no records of an LSA notification or issuance of a LSA agreement for this property exist within CDFW's project tracking databases. Please see Mathew Mitchell's Environmental Impact Assessment Report. I am requesting the Shasta County District Attorney's Office reviews and prosecutes the following charges in the matter of Amrit Raj Kulasekaran and Mohit Raj Kulasekaran. - 1. (6) Counts of Fish and Game Code 1602(a) - 2. (9) Counts of Fish and Game Code: 5650(a)(6) Fish and Game Code: <i>F&GC section 1602 requires a person to submit a written notification to the Department before:</i> <i>Fish and Game Code (a) An entity shall not substantially divert or obstruct the natural flow of, or substantially change or use any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or deposit or dispose of debris, waste, or other material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, unless all of the following occur:</i> <i>1) substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of a river, stream, or lake; 2) substantially changing the bed, channel, or bank of a river, stream, or lake; 3) using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of a river, stream, or lake; and/or 4) depositing or disposing of debris, waste, material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into a river, stream, or lake. Hence, any person who engages in an activity subject to F&GC section 1602 without first notifying the Department violates section 1602.</i> <i>F&GC section 5650 makes it unlawful to pollute waters of the state. F&GC section 5650 (a)(6) makes it unlawful to deposit in, permit to pass into, or place where it can pass into waters of the state any substance or material deleterious to fish, plant life, mammals, or bird life, including, but not limited to gasoline and oil, as well as sediment.</i>			

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