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## 2019 INCREASE: Department of Fish and Wildlife CEQA Document Filing Fees

Fish and Game Code section 711.4 requires California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) to collect a filing fee to defray the costs of managing and protecting public trust resources for activities related to environmental review pursuant to CEQA. The environmental filing fees pay for CDFW activities, including but not limited to consulting and coordinating with other public agencies, reviewing environmental documents, recommending avoidance and mitigation measures to eliminate or reduce project impacts to fish and wildlife, developing mitigation monitoring requirements, and carrying out other activities to protect public trust resources under CEQA.

On September 29, 2006 Senate Bill 1535 was passed increasing the amounts of filing fees collected by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and requires the fees be adjusted annually pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 713. The annual fee adjustments are based on changes in the Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government Purchases of Goods and Services, as published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The table below contains the CEQA filing fees for 2018, and the adjusted fees that will become effective on January 1, 2019.

The Fish and Wildlife filing fees will increase as follows:

| CEQA Document                          | <u>2018 Fee</u>             | Increase Effective 1-1-2019 |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Negative Declaration                   | \$2,280.75                  | \$2,354.75                  |
| Mitigated Neg. Dec                     | \$2,280.75                  | \$2,354.75                  |
| Environmental Impact Report            | \$3,168.00                  | \$3,271.00                  |
| Certified Regulatory Program           | \$1,077.00                  | \$1,112.00                  |
| County Clerk Processing Fee (may apply | ) <u>Contact your Local</u> | County Clerk's Office       |

Information regarding the updated **2019** Environmental Filing Fees is also available at the Department of Fish and Wildlife at:

https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/CEQA/Fees and the OPR Web site at www.opr.ca.gov.