

Notice of Determination**- 1 -**

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2004072155

Project Title: Soquel Creek Vegetation Maintenance Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0191-R3)

Project Location: The project is located at Soquel Creek, a tributary to the Pacific Ocean; approximately 300 feet upstream and approximately 300 feet downstream of the Bargetto Bridge stream crossing on Soquel Drive in downtown Soquel; County of Santa Cruz, State of California; Latitude 36.98876, Longitude -121.95558; Section 10, Township 11S, Range 1W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Soquel; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 030-091-08, 030-091-16, 030-091-19, 030-082-35, 030-082-52, 030-151-02, 030-151-03, 030-151-18, 030-151-20, 030-151-22, 030-151-23, 030-151-24, 030-151-26 and 030-151-27.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0191-R3, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, the County of Santa Cruz, Department of Public Works as represented by Matt Machado.

The project will conduct routine maintenance activities which includes the removal of non-native vegetation, trimming of shrubs within riparian areas, selective removal of trees, and topping of trees.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on 10/1/2020 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were / were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature

Craig J. Weightman

Date: October 2, 2020

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