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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2016112028

Project Title: Pfahler Water Diversion and Stream Crossings Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0509-R1)

Project Location: The project to be completed is located within the Eel River watershed, approximately 6.3 miles northeast of the town of Willits, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Section 36, T04S, R03E, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Willits U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 037-310-66; latitude 40.146939.4565 N and longitude 123.2566 W at the stream crossing near Rocktree Creek.

Project Description: The project is limited to three (3) encroachments (Table 1). One encroachment is to remove and abandon a surface water diversion from a spring that is tributary to Rocktree Creek. Work for this project will involve the removal of all water diversion infrastructure from the spring, and associated irrigation lines running through the property. One encroachment is to remove a failing culvert and restore the stream channel. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the failing culverts, and restoration of the stream channel according to a CDFW approved stream restoration plan. One encroachment is to upgrade a failing and undersized culvert. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the failing culverts, replacement with new properly sized culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as the Lead Agency / a Responsible Agency approved the above described project 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. A mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

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 Public Resources Code section 21081, subdivision (a).

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 related to the Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

Signature  _____ *Date:* 5/10/19 _____
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