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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2016112028

**Project Title:** Cornejo Stream Crossing and Fish Passage Restoration Project. Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0410-R1

**Project Location (include county):** The project to be completed is located within the Navarro River watershed, approximately 3.8 miles northwest of the town of Boonville, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Sections 21 and 28, T 14N, R 14W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Philo U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 046-130-17 and 046-130-05; latitude 39.0510 N and longitude 123.4112 W at the stream crossing (SC-1).

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0410-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Victor Cornejo.

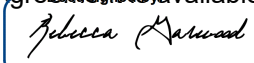
The project is limited to two encroachments. The first encroachment is for channel improvements for fish passage on a segment of Denmark Creek which contains a defunct fish ladder and an approximately 210-foot long concrete lined channel. Final plans are to be determined, but will involve removal of the fish ladder, removal of concrete liner from the channel, restoration and stabilization of the stream channel, and facilitation of fish passage through the entire stream reach associated with the project. Plans may also involve modifications to the existing pond that is adjacent to the concrete lined channel in order to facilitate fish passage. Final basis of design and construction plans shall be submitted to CDFW for review and acceptance within three years of the effective date of this Agreement.

The second encroachment is to upgrade an existing culvert. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the existing culvert, replacement with new properly sized culvert that is designed to pass salmonids at all life stages, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion. If the to-be-determined design of the channel improvement and fish passage project results in changes to the proposed design for the stream crossing, then updated final plans shall be submitted for review and acceptance..

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: 9/9/2022  
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Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_