

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018062020

Project Title: Ocean Ranch Restoration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-19528-R1)

Project Location (include county): The Ocean Ranch Unit (ORU) of the Eel River Wildlife Area (ERWA) is located north of the mouth of the Eel River and northwest of the community of Loleta in Humboldt County, California; Township 03N, Range 02W, Sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, & 16, and Township 04N, Range 02W, Sections 34 & 35, Cannibal Island U.S. Geological Survey quadrangle, Humboldt Base and Meridian.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-HUM-19528-R1, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Shawn Fresz.

The goals of the overall Ocean Ranch Restoration Project (Project) are to restore and expand natural estuarine and dune functions in the restoration area and to assist in the recovery and enhancement of habitat for native fish, wildlife and plant species, including federally protected species.

The Project is comprised of three primary components: 1) estuarine habitat restoration, 2) invasive plant management, and 3) public access improvements.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on February 26, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will / 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 environmental impact report 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 / was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were / were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final environmental impact report 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 Adam McKannay
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Date: 8/2/2021

Adam McKannay, Interior Cannabis and Conservation Planning Supervisor

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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____