

**Notice of Determination**

**TO:**  Office of Planning and Research **FROM:** Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to § 21108 of the Public Resources Code**

State Clearinghouse Number: 2017042022

Project Title: Studebaker Water Diversion Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0201-R1)

Project Location: The project is located within the Mattole River watershed, approximately one-half mile northeast of the town of Thorn Junction, County of Humboldt, State of California; Section 33, T04S, R02E, Humboldt Base and Meridian, in the Briceland U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 220-191-034; latitude 40.0664 N and longitude -123.9530 W at the point of diversion (POD).

Project Description: The project is limited to one encroachment (Table 1) for water diversion from an unnamed tributary to McKee Creek. Water is diverted for domestic use only. All cannabis-irrigation water is provided by a rain catchment system. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

This is to advise that the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), acting as  **the lead agency** /  **a responsible agency** approved the above-described project and has made the following determinations:

1. The project  **will** /  **will not** have a significant effect on the environment. (This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's jurisdiction when CDFW acts as a responsible agency.)
  2.  **An environmental impact report** /  **A negative declaration** /  **A timber harvesting plan** was prepared for this project pursuant to CEQA.
  3. Mitigation measures  **were** /  **were not** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
  4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations  **was** /  **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
  5. Findings  **were** /  **were not** made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a).
  6. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
    - Payment is submitted with this notice.
    - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment is on file with CDFW.
    - A copy of the CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination Form signed by the Department is attached to this notice.
- Lead Agency certification: CDFW, as Lead Agency, has made the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, available to the General Public at the CDFW office identified above.
- Responsible Agency statement: The final EIR that was prepared by the Lead Agency for this project is available to the General Public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

Signed:  
for Cheri Sanville  
Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor  
Northern Region

Date:

Date Received for filing at OPR:

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

**Sep 10 2020**

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