

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2019049054, filed November 18, 2019

Project Title: REDWOODS RISING ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROGRAM: GREATER MILL CREEK ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROJECT

Project Location (include county): The Project is located within Redwood National and State Parks. The Project is located in the Counties of Del Norte and Humboldt, State of California.

Project Description: The Project includes restoration, management, operations, maintenance, and monitoring activities designed to benefit the Covered Species and other species, and that these activities, to the extent they result in take of the Covered Species may be authorized pursuant to Section 2081, subdivision (a). The Project is expected to build watershed resiliency through accelerating development of forest characteristics more typical of late-seral forests, reducing fire hazards and chronic sediment inputs to creeks, and enhancing habitat for Covered Species. Vegetation management, aquatic restoration, and road removal will occur over approximately 80,000-acres and be phased over approximately 30 years. CDFW has determined and expects that the Project will benefit, aid the conservation of, and assist in the recovery of the Covered Species.

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 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.

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Michael van Hattem Date: 9/10/2021
Signature _____ Date: _____
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