



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21008 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region, Redding Office
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205
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Date: 8 September 2023

State Clearinghouse Number:
2019100230

Project Title:
Kapusta Island Side Channel Project (Project; WDID 5A45CR00642)

Project Location - Specific:
The Project area is located at the Sacramento River between river mile 287 and 288.
The Project coordinates are as follows: Latitude: 40.49665° and Longitude: -122.34304°.

Project Location - County:
Shasta County

Name of Applicant:
John Hannon
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2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
The purpose of the Project is to provide fish habitat for salmonids. Components of the Project include 1) providing an outflow to currently existing fish stranding ponds; 2) excavating a river side channel, approximately 1,264 feet in length, for year-round juvenile fish habitat; and 3) placing approximately 1,000 cubic yards of sorted spawning gravel within the mainstem river for reproducing adults. The Project will repurpose removed wood and gravel for habitat structure within the stream channels. Channels will include habitat features such as benches, riffles, runs, and pools.

MARK BRADFORD, CHAIR | PATRICK PULUPA, ESQ., EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

This is to advise that the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, as Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described project on 8 September 2023 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board considered the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the Statewide Restoration General Order as prepared by State Water Resources Control Board.
2. The Project will not result in any new or more severe environmental effects that are peculiar to the Project which were not previously analyzed as significant effects in the PEIR.
3. No additional environmental review is required for the Project.
4. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the PEIR.
5. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted under the PEIR.
6. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted under the PEIR.
7. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The final PEIR with comments and responses is available to the general public at:

[SCH 2019100230 SRGO Final PEIR](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/generalorders/2022/sr-go-final-peir-combined.pdf)

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The record of project approval is available to the general public at:

[Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's Adopted Orders Web page](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/)

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