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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020039047

Project Title: MCSD Mad River Floodplain Project Agreement (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0207-R1)

Project Location: The project is located within the Mad River watershed, approximately 2 miles west of the town of McKinleyville, County of Humboldt, State of California; Section 1, T6N, R1W, Humboldt Base and Meridian, in the Arcata North U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 508-021-006, 508-021-007, and 506-341-017.

Project Description: The project is limited to one encroachment, including 2 acres of wetland and pond restoration adjacent to the Mad River estuary. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, pond dewatering, vegetation removal, and replanting with native vegetation.

No other projects that may be subject to FGC section 1602 were disclosed. This Agreement does not retroactively permit any constructed reservoirs (including "ponds"), stream crossings, water diversions, modifications to riparian buffers, or other encroachments not described in the notification.

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):

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:

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. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared by McKinleyville Community Services District for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (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 made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW adopted findings to document its compliance with CEQA.
6. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement of 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 DFG is attached to this notice.

7. Lead Agency certification: McKinleyville Community Services District, as Lead Agency, has made the Negative Declaration, available to the General Public on the McKinleyville Community Services District website.

8. Responsible Agency statement: The Mitigated Negative Declaration that was prepared by the Lead Agency for this project is available to the General Public on the McKinleyville Community Services District website. CDFW's CEQA Findings are available at the Eureka CDFW office located at 619 Second Street, Eureka, California, 95501. 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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Adam McKannay

9/30/2020

Signature

Date:

Cheri Sanville, Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Date Received for filing at OPR: **Sep 30 2020**

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