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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020059035

Project Title: PGE Pipeline Maintenance Project at Ryan Creek, Ryan Slough, and Freshwater Slough (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0210-R1)

Project Location (include county): The projects to be completed are located within the Ryan Creek, Ryan Slough, and Freshwater Slough watersheds, just east of the town of Eureka, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Sections 19, 30 and 31 of T5N, R1E and in Sections 25 and 36, T5N, R1W, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Eureka and Arcata South U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangles; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 017-121-005, 014-301-003, and 017-131-003; latitude 40.7957 N and longitude 124.1202 W at Freshwater Slough; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 017-151-005, 017-151-004, 017-151-007, and -16-171-004; latitude 40.7851 N and longitude 124.1205 W at Ryan Slough; and Assessor's Parcel Number 017-031-013; latitude 40.7783 N and longitude 124.1211 W at Ryan Creek.

Project Description: The project is limited to three encroachments to repair, replace, and decommission pipelines. The project at Freshwater Slough will include decommissioning and removal. The project at the Ryan Slough site will include pipeline replacement. The project at the Ryan Creek site will include sinkhole repair. Work for these encroachments will include excavation and modification of work and travel areas, temporary stockpiling, tree removal, erosion control, installation of a culvert, backfilling and compaction of fill, and revegetation and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

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 not 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.

Signature

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Date: 9/16/2020

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