

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2020090237

**Project Title:** Palo Alto Flood Basin Tide Gate Structure Replacement Project (Project) (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SCL-17916-R3)

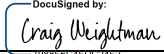
**Project Location (Santa Clara County):** The Project is located at the confluence of Adobe Creek, Baron Creek, and Matadero Creek within the Mayfield Slough in the City of Palo Alto; Latitude: 37.455648; Longitude: -122.100798.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has amended Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-SCL-17916-R3), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, Bhavani Yerrapotu/Santa Clara Valley Water District. The Project will involve retrofitting the existing tide gate. Construction elements will include creating a deep foundation system, overlaying polyester polymer concrete on the structure, replacing fence and catwalk plates, and creating a maintenance access under the structure.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 3/24/2025 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. CDFW considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan was 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 California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Mitigated 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 of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 3/24/2025 \_\_\_\_\_

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Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_