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**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION  
(Public Resources Code section 21108)**

File Ref: P3186; A3254

SCH#: 2021040532

Item: 06

Title: Nordic Aquafarms California, LLC Land-based Aquaculture Project

Applicant: Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District; Sublessee: Nordic Aquafarms California, LLC

Location: Sovereign land in the Pacific Ocean, near Samoa, adjacent to Assessor's Parcel Number 401-111-006, Humboldt County

Description: The applicant (Nordic Aquafarms California, LLC.) is requesting a Coastal Development Permit and Special Permit for the demolition and remediation of the Freshwater Tissue Samoa Pulp Mill facility and the construction of a land-based finfish recirculating aquaculture system facility. The State Lands Commission action is an endorsement of a sublease for a 25-year General Lease – Right-of-Way Use through August 13, 2038.

This is to advise that the California State Lands Commission, as  Lead Agency  Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on August 29, 2024, and made the following determinations regarding the project.

- 1) The project  will  will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2) An  Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3) Mitigation measures  were  were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
- 4) A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan  was or  was not adopted for this project.
- 5) A Statement of Overriding Considerations  was  was not adopted for the project.
- 6) Findings  were  were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The lead agency for the project, Humboldt County (County), certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and approved the project on September 28, 2022. The California State Lands Commission has considered the EIR as prepared for this project by the County and determined that the project has no impacts that are occurring on or otherwise affecting lands under the Commission's jurisdiction. The EIR and the record of project approval may be examined at the above shown California State Lands Commission Sacramento office address.

**DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING AND POSTING BY THE  
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