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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021040532

Project Title: Humboldt Bay Master Seawater Intakes Project (California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2023-053-07 (ITP))

Project Location (include county): The Project is located on the western shoreline of Humboldt Bay within the city of Samoa at two separate locations, Redwood Marine Terminal II Dock and Red Tank Dock. Both docks are approximately 1 to 1.6 miles southwest of the highway 255 bridge.

Project Description: This proposed project involves operation and maintenance of the two seawater intakes, removing two existing fish screens, installing two new fish screens on the seawater intakes, and installing piping to transfer seawater to Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District tenants.

Phase I of the Project will result in impacts to longfin smelt (*Spirinchus thaleichthys*) habitat. The project is expected to result in incidental take of longfin smelt, which is designated as a threatened species under the California Endangered Species Act. The ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of species listed under CESA that may occur as a result of Project implementation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [ the lead agency /  a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on 2/6/25 and made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project [ will /  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. [ An environmental impact report /  A negative declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
  3. Additional 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 /  was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
  6. Findings [ were /  were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a).
  7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
    - Payment is submitted with this notice.
    - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
- Responsible Agency statement: The EIR prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

Signature 

Craig Shuman, D. Env., Regional Manager

Date: February 10, 2025

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