

**Notice of Determination**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2021050414

**Project Title:** Freeman Diversion Fish Passage Facility Geotechnical Exploration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. VEN-19808-R5).

**Project Location (include county):** 2641 West Los Angeles Avenue, Oxnard, Ventura County, CA 93036. The Freeman Diversion Facility is located on the south bank of the Santa Clara River, 2.8 miles upstream of the Highway 118 bridge.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed a Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement No. VEN-19808-R5, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, United Water Conservation District. Work covered within the Agreement includes geotechnical borings to inform the development and construction of a future fish passage facility.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on 09/21/2021 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 /  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 California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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 of project approval as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW’s regional office.

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**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** 9/21/2021  
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Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_