

# Notice of Determination

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**To:**

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**From:**

Public Agency: San Luis & Delta-Mendota WA  
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Lead Agency (if different from above):  
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 Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.**

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2021060585

Project Title: Mud Slough Restoration Project

Project Applicant: San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Project Location (include county): Merced County at Brazo Rd and Canal School Rd, near Newman

**Project Description:**

Project is to restore and enhance wildlife habitat on the China Island Unit of the North Grasslands Wildlife Area and on Newman Land Company property by reestablishing Mud Slough flows to Newman Lake combined with Los Banos Creek flows (up to 1,663 AF) during the September 5 to January 10 period. Hydraulic modifications and wetland restoration activities are proposed. Mitigation measures are primarily for biological impacts associated with Project construction.

This is to advise that the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority has approved the above  
 Lead Agency or  Responsible Agency)

described project on Dec. 9, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the above  
(date)  
described project.

1. The project [ will  will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project 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  was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [ were  were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority office at 842 6th Street, Los Banos, CA 93635

Signature (Public Agency):  Title: Executive Officer

Date: December 9, 2021 Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_