

Notice of Determination



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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2022090367

Project Title: Madera Lake Pump and Pipeline Project (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MAD-34953-R4)

Project Location: The Project is located at two locations, one within Madera Lake and the second location in a tributary to Madera Lake, approximately three miles east of the community of Madera Acres and 0.8 miles south of the community of Lake Madera County Estates in Madera County, State of California; Location 1: Assessor's Parcel Number 031-192-001; Latitude 37.01736° North, Longitude -120.000593° West; Location 2: Assessor's Parcel Number 031-151-002; Latitude 37.02535° North, Longitude -120.010792°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-MAD-34953-R4), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Madera Water District (referred to as Permittee).

Project activities will include the construction of a pipeline and a siphon inlet channel for water diversion from Madera Lake and construction of a pipeline crossing in the unnamed ephemeral drainage to convey the water obtained from the siphon. The Project does not include the diversion of water.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 3/19/2024 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.

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Julie Vance
Signature: _____ Date: 3/19/2024
Julie A Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____