

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2023030553

**Project Title:** Malibu Lake Siphon Replacement (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-LAN-39620-R5)

**Project Location (Los Angeles County):** The Malibu Lake Siphon Replacement Project is located at the Lake Vista Drive crossing of Medea Creek at its confluence with Malibu Lake in the City of Agoura Hills, Los Angeles County, California.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-LAN-39620-R5), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District.

This Project consists of the replacement of the existing triple barrel siphon beneath Medea Creek (at the confluence of Malibu Lake) with a new double barrel siphon. The new siphon location will be just north of the existing siphon. This amendment allows the stream to be dewatered using cofferdams of either a Portadam or sheet piling style. Approximately 0.07 acres of native vegetation would be removed, including 0.06 of arroyo willow thickets and 0.01 acres of cattail marshes. The remaining vegetative impacts are 0.02 acres of shoreline areas supporting non-native grasses and herbs. The impacted areas at the Project site will be revegetated upon completion of construction activities. Project related activities shall result in no permanent impacts to the streams on site

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 10/3/2023 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

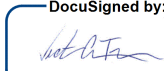
1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code 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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Date: 3/11/2024

Victoria Tang, Environmental Program Manager

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