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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF USE PERMIT 23-0002, STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER 2023090148, SHASTA COUNTY

Dear Elisabeth Towers:

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has reviewed the draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (ISMND), dated September 2023, for the above referenced project which proposes a use permit for the construction of a contractor's storage yard (Project). CDFW's review of this Project is pursuant to our role as the State's trustee agency for fish and wildlife resources under the California Environmental Quality Act, California Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq. Additionally, as a State responsible agency, CDFW administers the California Endangered Species Act and other provisions of the Fish and Game Code that conserves the State's fish and wildlife public trust resources.

CDFW responded to an early consultation request from Shasta County in July 2023, which was included as an attachment to the ISMND. The avoidance and minimization measures listed in the biological resources section of the ISMND appear adequate in avoiding and minimizing impacts to biological resources therefore, CDFW has no additional comments pertaining to the Project as it is described.

CDFW appreciates the opportunity to comment on the ISMND to assist Shasta County in adequately analyzing and minimizing impacts to biological resources. If you have any questions, please contact Erika Iacona, Senior Environmental Scientist, by email at R1CEQARedding@wildlife.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

—Docusigned by: Jason Roberts

Jason Roberts for
Tina Bartlett, Regional Manager
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