

## Notice of Determination

**To:**  
Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:**  
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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108  
**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2018122046

**Project Title:** McMurray Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-38252 -R1C)

**Project Location:** The project is located within the Mattole River watershed, approximately 6 miles east of the town of Shelter Cove, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 9, T05S, R02E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Briceland U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 215-172-022; latitude 40.03194 N and longitude 123.95777 W.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-HUM-38252 -R1C), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant is Sanctuary Forest.

This Agreement authorizes Sanctuary Forest to enlarge an existing pond and construct a new pond with the purpose of instream flow enhancement, fire suppression, water supply, aesthetics and recreation. Additionally, this agreement also authorizes Sanctuary Forest to construct large wood enhancement features in Anderson Creek.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on July 24, 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 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 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 by:

Signature: Michael van Hatten Date: 7/26/2023  
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Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_