

**Notice of Determination**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2018072062

**Project Title:** Northwest Levee Improvement Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0088-R3)

**Project Location (include county):** Taylor Slough, Bethel Island, Contra Costa County, California

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0088-R3, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Regina Espinoza, Bethel Island Municipal Improvement District (BIMID).

BIMID will improve the levee between stations 0+00 to 130+00 to Bulletin 192-82 standards which includes raising the levee crest to an elevation to 10.5 feet above mean sea level, widening the levee crest to 22 feet and installing an all-weather road on the crown, installing new or enhancing existing riprap on the waterside slope as needed to minimize scour and maintain a 2H:1V waterside slope, and flattening the landside slope to 5H:1V. The project also includes habitat enhancement through the creation of a 10-foot wide waterside bench between stations 55+00 to 90+00 and 103+00 to 113+00 planted with native emergent aquatic vegetation and woody species.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency approved the above described project on 9/27/19 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 /  negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures  were /  were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan  was /  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 Public Resources Code section 21081, subdivision (a).

The  mitigated negative declaration /  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 related to the Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

Signature James A. Starr Date: 10/9/19  
James Starr, Environmental Program Manager Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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