

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2018122049

**Project Title:** Emerald Gold Farms Stream Crossing and Surface Diversion (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0012-R1)

**Project Location (Trinity):** The project is located at an unnamed Class III tributary to the Mad River, with a diversion from the Mad River; Section 34, Township 1N, Range 6E, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Sportshaven, HBM, Assessor's Parcel Number 018-050-069-000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement 1600-2020-0012-R1, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant Earl Roberts.

The project is limited to the diversion of water from the Mad River exclusively for domestic purposes under a riparian claim. Water is pumped through a 2-inch plastic pipe to a 3000-gallon tank. A small Class III stream crossing will be improved by creating a defined rolling dip and armoring with a class I (6-inch) riprap above and below the road, and rocking with gravel through the crossing.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on July 6, 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 environmental impact report 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** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Final EIR 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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*Curt Babcock*

Date: 7/6/2023

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