

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2018062073

**Project Title:** Sutter National Wildlife Refuge Lift Station Project (Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2022-0007-R2)

**Project Location:** The project is located in the Sutter National Wildlife Refuge, in County of Sutter, State of California; Latitude 39.1023 and Longitude -121.7604; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 13-340-046-000 and 13-340-040-000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has issued Restoration Management Permit Number RMP-2022-0007-R2 pursuant to section 2081(a) of the Fish and Game Code to the project Permittee, United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Project is designed to provide reliable screened water access for the Refuge's wetlands by installing a lift station with screened intakes and supporting infrastructure. The Project is expected to improve seasonal and semi-permanent wetland management capabilities for the Refuge by providing reliable access to water supplies, benefiting Giant garter snake (*Thamnophis gigas*, Covered Species) and other wetland species. The Project is estimated to take fewer than five (5) individuals of the Covered Species in the form of catch, capture and relocation; though unlikely, the Project may result in take in the form of mortality. Permittee is authorized to relocate the Covered Species out of harm's way. CDFW has determined and expects that the Project will benefit, aid in the conservation of, and assist in the recovery of the Covered Species. This notice is to advise that CDFW issued the above-described Restoration Management Permit on the date signed below 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 /  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 /  was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings  were /  were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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 of issuance of the Restoration Management Permit as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Kevin Thomas, Regional Manager  
North Central Region

Date: 11/29/2022

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