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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Studebaker Water Diversion and Stream Crossings Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0341-R1)

Project Location: The project is located within the Redwood Creek watershed, approximately 3.4 miles west of the town of Redway, County of Humboldt, State of California; Section 7, T04S, R03E, Humboldt Base and Meridian, in the Briceland U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 220-272-030; latitude 40.1233 N and longitude 123.8908 W at the first spring point of diversion (POD).

Project Description: The project is limited to three encroachments (Table 1). Three encroachments are for water diversion from springs that are tributary Redwood Creek. Water is diverted for domestic use. Work for the water diversion will include use, maintenance and removal of the water diversion infrastructure. Two crossings adjacent to POD-2 & POD-3 also require work to correct flow and erosion issues by upgrading the crossings with a culvert and a rocked ford. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the failing crossings, replacement with new properly sized crossings, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

Table 1. Project Encroachments with Description

ID	Latitude/Longitude	Description
POD-1	40.1233, -123.8908	Spring diversion for domestic use SWRCB application ID: S026499
POD-2 and Crossing-1	40.1227, -123.8911	Spring diversion for domestic use SWRCB application ID: S026500 Install minimum 18" diameter culvert and other drainage features to convey spring flow to stream
POD-3 and Crossing-2	40.1213, -123.8910	Spring diversion for domestic use SWRCB application ID: D032950 / S026501 Concrete water storage tank shall be removed Replace failing crossing with rocked ford Hydrologically disconnect and treat long inboard ditch on skid road to minimize erosion

The Notification discloses the use of a well located at Lat/Long 40.1227, -123.8911. CDFW did not evaluate hydraulic connection of the well to surface water, nor was a hydrogeologic evaluation prepared by a licensed geologist provided for CDFW review. The proximity of the well to a complex of springs indicates that the well may be hydraulically connected to surface waters.

Determination: This is to advise that CDFW, acting as the Lead Agency / a Responsible Agency approved the above described project 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. A mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
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 _____ Date: _____
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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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