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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Quinn Stream Crossings and Restoration Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-05301-R1)

Project Location: The project is located within the Basin Creek watershed, approximately 1.8 miles southwest of Blocksburg, County of Humboldt, State of California; Section 19, T02S, R05E, Humboldt Base and Meridian, in the Blocksburg U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 217-381-008; latitude 40.2694 N and longitude 123.6610 W at the spring restoration.

Project Description: The project is limited to 8 encroachments (Table 1). One encroachment is to restore a spring and decommission a small reservoir. The other proposed encroachments are to remove stream crossing and implement stream restoration.

Table 1. Project Encroachments Covered by this Agreement with Description

ID	Latitude/Longitude	Description
Spring restoration and reservoir removal	40.2694, -123.6610	Restore spring by removing small dam wall to minimize impoundment. Minimize disturbance to spring and wetlands. Minimize placement of rock armor. No water diversion is authorized by this Agreement.
Crossing-1 removal and stream restoration	40.2707, -123.6587	Remove stream crossing and restore channel with native vegetation.
Crossing-2 removal and stream restoration	40.2702, -123.6598	Restore spring and stream channel that has been impacted by unpermitted structures and grading. Remove all structures, generators and fuel storage from stream banks and riparian area. Permittee shall provide CDFW with a Stream Restoration Plan (SRP) for review and approval by May 31, 2021. In the SRP, Permittee shall include documentation of petroleum spill cleanup.
Crossing-3 removal and stream restoration	40.2701, -123.6604	Remove stream crossing and restore channel with native vegetation.
Crossing-4 removal and stream	40.2694, -123.6616	Remove stream crossing and restore channel with native vegetation.

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restoration		
Crossing-5 removal and stream restoration	40.2695, -123.6614	Remove stream crossing and restore channel with native vegetation.
Crossing-6 removal and stream restoration	40.2688, -123.6615	Remove stream crossing and restore channel with native vegetation.
Crossing-7 removal	40.2712, - 123.6568	Disconnect inside ditch and road stormwater from the stream.

The Notification discloses the use of a well located at Lat/Long: 40.2696, -123.6576. This well is presented as the sole source of water for all needs on the property. 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. Based on the available resources, and the site inspection, the well may be hydraulically connected to streams and/or springs and shall be evaluated for potential impacts from commercial cannabis irrigation use through Humboldt County's cannabis cultivation permit.

No other projects that may be subject to FGC section 1602 were disclosed. This Agreement does not retroactively permit any constructed reservoirs (including "ponds"), stream crossings, water diversions, modifications to riparian buffers, or other encroachments not described in Table 1.

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: _____
Cheri Sanville, Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____