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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2015102005

**Project Title:** Megan Hoisington Hoisington Water Diversion, Water Impoundment, and Stream Crossings Project. Eight encroachments (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0125-R1)

**Project Location (Humboldt County):** The project to be completed is located within the Eel River watershed, approximately 6 miles east southeast of the town of Bridgeville, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 10, T02S, R05E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Black Lassic U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 217-244-008; latitude/longitude: 40.3015, -123.5941 at one point of diversion.

**Project Description:** The project is limited to 8 encroachments. Two projects are points of diversion (PODs) for agricultural use; one from a natural spring and the second is contained in a road cut inboard ditch seep. Four projects are associated with stream crossings. Two of them are to upgrade failing and undersized culverts, one is to install a culvert in place of a dirt ford, and one is to decommission a crossing. One project is to abandon use of road/stream crossing and install an appropriately designed pond spillway to accommodate 100-year flow and associated debris. The final project is to decommission or retain a recently constructed, unpermitted onstream stock pond. Work will be implemented to restore the stream channel to conditions as described in a Stream Restoration and Remediation Plan. Or if pond is retained, work will be to stabilize earthen embankment and install pond structures for a spillway and bypass. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of failing culverts, replacement with new properly sized culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion. Decommissioning of crossing 4 involves removing fill from a stream and setting back the slope. The Notification also discloses 2 water wells located at: 40.4425, -123.6883 and 40.3081, and -123.5976 which both are indicated for agricultural purposes only (Table 2). CDFW did note that the wells are highly likely to be hydrologically connected by location, however, cannot fully evaluate hydraulic connection of the wells to surface water, as no hydrogeologic evaluation was provided for CDFW's review.

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: \_\_\_\_\_