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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Lieberman Water Diversions, Stream Crossings and Remediation Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0740-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project to be completed is located within Blue Slide Creek and Miller Creek watershed, approximately 2.6 miles northwest of the town of Briceland, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 02, T04S, R02E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Ettersburg U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 220-292-015, 220-292-017, and 220-292-018; latitude 40.1386 N and longitude 123.9303 W at the project center.

Project Description: The project is limited to 19 encroachments on unnamed tributaries to Blue Slide Creek and Miller Creek. Three encroachments are for upgrading existing water diversion for domestic use and irrigation or removal. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure in compliance with the measures of this agreement. Nine encroachments are to upgrade existing stream crossings culverts and seven encroachments are to decommission and remediate unpermitted crossings or stream alteration work. Work for these encroachments will include some or all the following: excavation, culvert removal, culvert installation, backfilling and compaction of fill, rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion, reconstruction of the bed and banks of the stream, and realignment of the natural flow.

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 Scott Bauer
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Date: 6/24/2021

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____