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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Garcia Stream Crossings and Onstream Pond Remediation Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-27862-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project is located within the Tom Long Creek watershed, approximately seven (7) miles east of the town of Benbow, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 5, T5S, R5E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Harris U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 216-072-010.

Project Description: The project is limited to five (5) encroachments. One encroachment shall upgrade an existing stream crossing with an appropriately designed culvert. Three encroachments shall replace existing dirt ford crossings with armored ford crossings on a disused access-road. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the existing culverts and/or fill, installation of properly designed stream crossing infrastructure, recontouring and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion. The fifth encroachment shall decommission a failed onstream reservoir, remove the earthen embankment, and rehabilitate the stream channel. The Permittee shall retain a licensed engineer to prepare a Pond Decommissioning Plan. This plan shall be submitted for CDFW review by December 31, 2022, and no fewer than 90 days prior to implementation. Decommissioning shall include removal of the embankment and aggraded material down to natural channel substrate, and recontouring of the hillslope to restore original topography/hydrology. Implementation shall occur prior to October 15, 2023.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [ ] the Lead Agency / [X] 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 [X] mitigated negative declaration / [ ] negative declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
CDFW considered the [X] 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 [X] were / [ ] were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [ ] was / [X] 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 [X] 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.

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Signature: Rebecca Garwood Date: 4/25/2022

Rebecca Garwood, Environmental Program Manager

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