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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Buhlev Water Diversion and Stream Crossing Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-47549-R1C)

Project Location (include county): The Project to be completed is located within the Fish Creek - Eel River watershed, approximately 2.68 miles southeast of the town of Benbow, County of Humboldt, State of California. The Project is located in Section 7, T05S, R04E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Garberville U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 223-044-011-000; latitude 40.0346 N and longitude 123.7680 W at the domestic point of diversion (POD).

Project Description: The Project is limited to two encroachments. One encroachment is for water diversion from a spring for domestic use. Work for the water diversion will include installation of screening material, use, and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure. The other proposed encroachment is to upgrade/maintain an existing culvert. Work for this encroachment will include excavation of the inlet, removal of sediment deposition, compaction of fill, and rock armoring at the inlet and outlet as necessary to minimize erosion. Hydrologically disconnect the road from the crossing to the greatest extent possible.

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: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 4/28/2025
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Date Received for filing at OPR: _____