

## Notice of Determination

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2003012112

**Project Title:** Grizzly Slough Floodplain Restoration (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0087-R2)

**Project Location (include county):** The project is located at Grizzly Slough tributary to the Cosumnes River, in the County of Sacramento, State of California; Latitude 38.24547, Longitude -121.40239 or Section 26, Township 5N, Range 5E, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Bruceville and Thornton, at New Hope Road in Thornton, CA; Assessor's Parcel Number 146-0140-004-0000, 146-0140-005-0000, 146-0140-017-0000, 146-0140-018-0000, 146-0140-020-0000, and 146-0140-021-0000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0087-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, California Department of Water Resources as represented by Anitra Pawley.

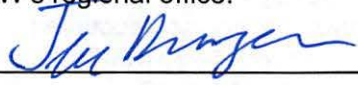
The project is limited to restoration of the Grizzly Slough floodplain with the goal of reintroducing tidal exchange and seasonal flooding to a previously leveed system. As a part of the project, channel and vegetation restoration will occur throughout the 465-acre site to reduce flood risk and provide habitat beneficial to native fish and wildlife. Project activities include excavating/grading a channel network and floodplain habitat, construction of a new setback levee along the property's southern boundary, repairing a portion of the western levee, construction of new setback levee culverts, excavation of material for new the setback levee, removal of existing vegetation, restoration planting and seeding, enhancement of agricultural lands, and a levee breach. Infrastructure improvements including access roads, staging areas, and demolition of facilities will also occur. The project includes the following activity subject to Notification: **Levee Breach.** Upon completion of other restoration activities outlined above, the levee between Grizzly Slough and the project site will be excavated. The breach will feature a trapezoidal channel will be approximately 150 feet wide. Excavating and lowering approximately 240 linear feet of levee, approximately 5000 cubic yards will be excavated and rock slope protection may be used along the banks of the breach area. Excavating will occur from the levee using a long-reach excavator to minimize in channel work. Excavated materials will be reused onsite.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on the date signed below and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project  will /  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. CDFW considered the environmental impact report 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 /  was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings  were /  were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature:   
Jeff Drongesen, Environmental Program Manager

Date: 10/28/19

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