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CITY OF ST. HELENA NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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P.O. Box 3044, 1400 Tenth Street, Room 22
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Recorder/ County Clerk Napa County 1127 1st Street, Ste A Napa, CA 94559 From: City of St. Helena Department of

Public Works

1572 Railroad Avenue St. Helena, CA 94574

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SUBJECT:

Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 15094 of

the CEQA Guidelines

PROJECT TITLE:

Modifications to the Upper York Creek Ecosystem Restoration Project

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER:

2006092096

APPLICANT:

City of St. Helena Department of Public Works

1572 Railroad Avenue St. Helena, CA 94574

PROJECT LOCATION:

Spring Mountain Road, approximately 1.5 miles upstream of St. Helena,

California

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Upper York Creek Ecosystem Restoration Project proposes to restore the ecological connectivity between habitats upstream and downstream of Upper York Creek Dam (UYCD) and provide for natural sediment transport. Steelhead migration would be restored to the level provided by the natural channels above and below the dam. The project would completely remove the inactive spillway and dam embankment to the approximate bedrock elevation.

The Project originally proposed the removal of the constructed dam and selected excavation of approximately 14,000 cubic yards of sediment to facilitate the natural movement of currently impounded sediment material to a one-mile stretch of currently sediment-starved



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removal of approximately 12,000 cubic yards of sediment to facilitate the natural movement of currently impounded sediment material to a one-mile stretch of currently sediment-starved creek below the dam. The Project also involves the construction of approximately 36 log structures in the section of York Creek immediately downstream of the dam to help capture sediment released during the removal of the dam, and to reduce the risk of flooding.

On April 28, 2015, the City Council of the City of St. Helena determined that Project No. W-26 - Upper York Creek Ecosystem Restoration And Aquatic Habitat Enhancement (Project). The City Council, by resolution, then certified Final EIR for the Project, made mitigation measures a condition of the approval of the Project by adopting a mitigation monitoring and reporting program, made findings pursuant to Section 15091, and adopted a statement of overriding considerations.

On April 23, 2019, based on an Addendum to the Final EIR dated April 23, 2019, the City Council approved changes to the previously approved Project related to the construction of 36 log structures within York Creek immediately below the dam as a means of implementing Mitigation Measure H&H-PA1, and determined pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164, a subsequent or supplemental EIR is not required because none of the conditions described in Section 15162 would occur. That is, the proposed Project as modified would not result in new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of significant effects previously identified in the EIR.

On June 23, 2020, based on an Addendum to the Final EIR dated June 23, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-69 and approved changes to the previously approved Project related to Transportation and Traffic Mitigation Measure TRA-PA2, and determined pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15164, a subsequent or supplemental EIR is not required because none of the conditions described in Section 15162 would occur. That is, the proposed Project as modified would not result in new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of significant effects previously identified in the EIR.

In particular, Transportation and Traffic Mitigation Measure TRA-PA2, as originally adopted on April 28, 2015, limits the ability of Project truck construction traffic to access and utilize Main Street/SR 29 to the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. because said stretch of roadway was operating at an unacceptable level of service (i.e. LOS E) at the time the Final EIR was certified. Based on a traffic analysis conduction June 11, 2020, which revealed Main Street/SR 29 is currently operating at an acceptable level of service (i.e. LOS A) during peak hours, on June 23, 2020, based on the analysis contained in the Addendum to the Final EIR dated June 23, 2020, the City Council approved a modification to Transportation and Traffic Mitigation Measure TRA-PA2 allowing for Project truck construction traffic to access and utilize Main Street/SR 29 during peak hours unless required on-going traffic monitoring indicates that Main Street/SR 29 is again operating at an unacceptable level of service (i.e. LOS E).

Further, on June 23, 2020, after having considered the Final EIR, the Addendum to the Final EIR dated April 23, 2019, and the Addendum to the Final EIR dated June 23, 2020, the City Council adopted (i) Resolution No. 2020-70 thereby approving a contract with McCullough Construction Inc. for the construction of the Project and (ii) Resolution No. 2020-71 thereby approving a Cyltural Resources Monitoring And Treatment Agreement by and between the City and the Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California for cultural resource monitoring services during the construction of the Project.

City of St. Helena Department of Public Works

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Pro	ject Applicant: City of St. Helena	
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