Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2008081020

Project Title: State Route 99 Tulare to Goshen 6-Lane South Segment Project (Amendment No. 3 of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2016-0013-R4).

Project Location: The Project is located in Tulare County, California at Packwood Creek Bridge 46-0013 on State Route (SR) 99 at PM 34.92, Latitude 36.2790, Longitude -119.3726; Cameron Creek Bridge 46-0053Y on J Street and the SR 99 on-ramp at SR 99 PM 34.92, Latitude 36.2551, Longitude -119.3586; and Little Tulare Ditch Bridge, Latitude 36.26185, Longitude -119.3586.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Amendment No. 3, a major amendment to already amended Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2016-0013-R4 (Agreement). In general, the Project Activities will involve new construction and widening work at all three bridges. Amendment No. 3 describes previously uncontemplated temporary protective shoring within Packwood Creek and an alternative temporary water diversion to facilitate equipment access to the stream to accomplish the bridge work at that location. Additionally, Amendment No. 3 addresses the installation of previously uncontemplated RSP at the Little Tulare Ditch location.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on 4/27/2022 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. CDFW considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this Project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the Project.
- 4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan was 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 California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

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<u>Signature:</u> Valerie (ook

4/27/2022 Date:

Valerie Cook, Acting Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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