## **Notice of Determination**

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2009012052

**Project Title:** San Luis Obispo Creek Arundo Eradication Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SLO-21128-R4)

**Project Location**: The Project is located in a 1,000-foot long stretch of San Luis Obispo Creek, immediately downstream of Los Osos Valley Road, within the town of San Luis Obispo, in central San Luis Obispo County, California; Assessor's Parcel Number 053-161-020; USGS 7.5 Minute Quad Pismo Beach MDBM; GPS Coordinates from Latitude 35.243061, Longitude -120.681803 to Latitude 35.240731, Longitude -120.683214.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-SLO-21128-R4), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, The Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County.

The Project includes activities related to the mechanical removal and annual herbicide treatment of invasive *Arundo donax* using mechanical methods followed by herbicide treatment within a three-acre site in the bed of San Luis Obispo Creek, south of Los Osos Canyon Road.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 8/15/2023 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 Reporting or Monitoring 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. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office by:

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Julie A Vance, Regional Manager			
Date Received for filing at OPR:			
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