Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108 or 21152 of

the Public Resources Code

State Clearinghouse Number: 2012082032

Project Title: Meridian Farms Water Company Fish Screen Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. SUT-27272-R2)

Project Location: The project is located in two sites on the Sacramento River and in several miles of the existing concrete-lined Main Canal between the two river sites, in the County of Sutter, State of California. The site of the Meridian Diversion and Pumping Plant is north of the intersection of Meridian Road and Alameda Street; Latitude 39.14833, Longitude -121.91750. The site of the Drexler Pumping Plant is approximately 0.27 mile northwest of the intersection of Moroni Road and S Meridian Road, Latitude 39.110798, Longitude -121.902934.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number No. SUT-27272-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, the Meridian Farms Water Company.

The project consists of the construction of a new Meridian Diversion/Pumping Station and retractable drum fish screens with a combined capacity of 135 cubic feet per second; reconstruction of 3 miles of the existing Main Canal; construction of a new re-lift pumping station; and decommission and removal of the existing Meridian and Drexler Diversions.

This is to advise that the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, acting as lead agency, executed the above-described Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement 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 not have a significant effect on the environment. |
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| 2. | A \boxtimes mitigated negative declaration / \square negative declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. |
| 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 not adopted by CDFW for this project. |
| 6. | Findings \boxtimes were / \square were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091. |
| respons | to certify that the final \square mitigated negative declaration / \square negative declaration with comments and sees and record of project approval, is available to the General Public at: 1701 Nimbus Road, Rancho a, CA 95670. |
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