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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2015102005

**Project Title:** Taliaferro Water Diversion and Pond Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2017-0288-R1)

**Project Location (include county):** The project to be completed is located within the South Fork Eel River watershed, approximately 6 miles east of the town of Garberville, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 25, T4S, R4E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Harris U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2017-0288-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Mr. Shanon Taliaferro.

The project is limited to 3 encroachments. One encroachment is for water diversion from a spring, an unnamed tributary to Rancheria Creek. Water is diverted for domestic, irrigation, and livestock use. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure, and any work required to bring water diversion infrastructure into compliance with the Agreement. The two other proposed encroachments are for water diversion from two existing, spring-fed ponds, repair and reconstruction of pond outlets, and maintenance of the ponds. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, placement of new, properly sized outlet culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

The notification also disclosed a new groundwater well, three existing, adequately-sized stream crossing culverts, and a Class III ford crossing on a road used only during the dry season.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as  the Lead Agency /  a Responsible Agency approved the above described project 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. A  mitigated negative declaration /  negative declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
CDFW considered the  mitigated negative declaration /  negative declaration 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 not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21081, subdivision (a).

The  mitigated negative declaration /  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 related to the Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

Signature

Date:

4-29-19

Scott Bauer, Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor, Office of Planning & Research

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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