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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Van Den Branden Stream Crossings Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0328-R1)

Project Location: The project to be completed is located within the Eel River watershed, approximately 5 miles north of the town of Redway, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 23, T03S, R03E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Miranda U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 214-211-004; latitude 40.19080 N, and longitude 123.80040 W at Crossing-1.

Project Description: The project is limited to 2 encroachments (Table 1). Encroachment 1 is for the installation of a new 18-inch diameter culvert on an unnamed tributary to the South Fork Eel River. Encroachment 2 is to upgrade an undersized culvert on an unnamed tributary of the South Fork Eel River. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the failing culvert (for Crossing 1), replacement with new properly sized culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

Table 1. Project Encroachments with Description

ID	Latitude/Longitude	Description
Crossing-1	40.19080, -123.80040	Installation of new 18-inch diameter culvert
Crossing-2	40.19100, -123.80120	Replace undersized 10-inch diameter culvert with minimum 18-inch diameter culvert

The Notification also discloses the use of a well located at 40.18980, -123.79970 that is used for domestic purposes and cannabis irrigation. This well is presented as the sole source of water for all needs on the property. CDFW did not evaluate hydraulic connection of the well to surface water, nor was a hydrogeologic evaluation prepared by a licensed geologist provided for CDFW review. This Agreement does not restrict the rate or season of diversion based on the information provided.

No other projects that may be subject to FGC1602 were disclosed. This Agreement does not retroactively permit any stream crossings, water diversions or other encroachments not described above.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as \square the Lead Agency / \boxtimes 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 \boxtimes mitigated negative declaration / \square negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 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 \boxtimes mitigated negative declaration / \square 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.

Date: 916 19

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Signature

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