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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Lopena Water Diversion and Stream Crossings Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0288-R1)

Project Location: The project is located 3 miles west of the Town of Honeydew; affecting one unnamed tributary to the Mattole River in the County of Humboldt, State of California; Section 33, T19N, R1W; Humboldt Base and Meridian, in the Buckeye Mountain, Calif. 7.5-minute quadrangle, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map; Assessor's Parcel Number: 107-092-001.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0288-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Robert Lopena. The project consists of 11 encroachment(s): Three encroachments are for water diversion from unnamed tributaries to Saunders Creek. Water is diverted for domestic use and cattle irrigation. Work for these water diversions will include facility retrofit, use, and maintenance of water diversion infrastructure. One encroachment is to decommission inoperative water diversion facilities. Work will include removal of all infrastructure, riparian revegetation, and erosion control. Three encroachments include installation of rocked ford stream crossings. Work will include excavation and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion. Two encroachments are to upgrade undersized and/or failing culverts. Work will include, removal of existing culverts, replacement with properly sized culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion. One encroachment includes decommissioning of a hydrologically connected road segment. Work will include excavation and recontouring of the road. One encroachment is to decommission and restore a hydrologically connected graded flat. Work will include disposal of waste, excavation, backfilling and compaction of fill, rock armoring to minimize erosion, revegetation, and erosion control.

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 Scott Bauer (KALYN BOCAST) FOR Date: 9/30/2019
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