



To: Office of Planning and Research  
For U.S. Mail:  
P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Street Address:  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Northern Region  
619 Second Street  
Eureka, California 95501  
Contact: David Manthorne  
Phone: 707-441-5900

Lead Agency (if different from above)  
Humboldt County Dept. of Planning and Building  
3015 H Street  
Eureka, CA 95501  
Contact: Steven Lazar  
Phone: 707-445-7245

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title Lewis Water Diversion, Stream Crossings, and Pond Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0838-R1)

Project Location The project to be completed is located within the Redwood Creek and South Fork Eel River watersheds, approximately 4.2 miles west of the town of Redway, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 13, T4S, R2E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Briceland U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 220-331-001; latitude 40.1117 N and longitude 123.9108 W.

Project Description: The project is limited to five encroachments. One encroachment is for water diversion from a stream below an onstream pond. Water is diverted for domestic use and irrigation. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure. The four other proposed encroachments will upgrade existing road/stream crossings and modify two pond impoundment structures to provide bypass flows for impounded water within the ponds. Culvert replacement, lowering of the spillway, or decommissioning of the two ponds will be evaluated based on the requested biological assessment and guidance from the Regional and State Waterboards. Work for these encroachments may include excavation, removal of culverts, replacement with new culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

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 Date: 11/8/19  
Scott Bauer, Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor  
Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Date Received for filing at OPR: NOV 08 2019