Notice of Determination

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

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Project Title: Taylor and Tallac Restoration Project - Phase One Aquatic Invasive Plants Removal (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. ELD-16950-R2)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at Taylor and Tallac Creeks and the associated marsh where the streams enter Lake Tahoe, in the County of El Dorado, State of California; approximately centered at Latitude 38.94214, Longitude -120.06550 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees); Assessor's Parcel Numbers 019-030-005, 019-020-005, 018-090-069, and 018-090-021.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number ELD-16950-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

The proposed project is limited to the installation of 17.49 acres of benthic bottom barriers within the stream channel and associated wetlands to remove aquatic invasive plants (AIP) within Taylor and Tallac Creeks. The barriers will be strategically placed to cover as much of the infested areas as possible. Any areas of infestation that cannot be covered with barriers will be hand pulled and AIP will be properly disposed of offsite. Floating vessels and platforms will be used to support the placement of the barriers in the stream channels. A variety of vehicles will be used to access and bring materials to the AIP infested areas including trucks, a quad, a side by side, an amphibious vehicle, and trailers. Specialized equipment that will be used in the wetlands to assist with bottom barrier placement are designed for a medium duty cycle in mud, flooded areas, and deep snow, providing very low ground pressure. Barriers are anticipated to remain in place for three years.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible 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. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
- 2. 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 \boxtimes were / \square were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan \Box was / \boxtimes was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.

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6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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 of execution of the above Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Kelley Barker

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Date: 10/29/2021

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