Notice of Determination

To:

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County Clerk County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060 From:

City of Santa Cruz, Lead Agency Water Department 212 Locust Street; Suite C Santa Cruz, CA 95060

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: SCH# 2015122018

Project Title: Cooperative Water Transfer Pilot Project for Groundwater Recharge and Water Resource Management between the City of Santa Cruz and Soquel Creek Water District (Water Transfer Pilot Project), Negative Declaration Addendum

Project Location: The existing City of Santa Cruz facilities involved in transferring water to the Soquel Creek Water District include intakes on Majors Creek and Liddell Springs, North Coast piping, the Coast Pump Station, Graham Hill Water Treatment Plant, and the potable water transmission and distribution system. The existing District facilities involved in transferring and receiving water from the City include the O'Neill Ranch intertie; two other existing interties could also potentially be involved, which are located between the Live Oak area of Santa Cruz County on Bain Avenue and in the City of Capitola on Jade Street.

Project Description: In 2016, the City of Santa Cruz adopted a Negative Declaration for the Water Transfer Pilot Project and entered into an agreement with the Soquel Creek Water District. The Water Transfer Pilot Project was described in the 2016 IS/ND. The Project agreement and 2016 IS/ND contemplated potential future extension of the pilot agreement beyond 2020; however, it was not specific about the terms or conditions of such an extension. The City and the District are now pursuing extension of the agreement for the Project, as the initial term of the agreement ended on December 31, 2020. The term of the agreement would be extended for another five-year term through the wet seasons of water years 2022 (October 1, 2021) through water year 2026 (May 1, 2026). The only other specific change to the terms of the existing agreement would be to amend the price from the current figure of \$1,000 per million gallons to \$1,930 per million gallons. No other modifications to the existing agreement are proposed.

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This is to advise that on February 23, 2021, the City of Santa Cruz City approved the extension of the Transfer Pilot Project Agreement and considered the Negative Declaration Addendum along with the adopted Negative Declaration prior to making a decision on the project. The Addendum describes changes to the Transfer Pilot Project Agreement and documents that the changes represent minor modifications to a project that has already undergone environmental review and none of the conditions described in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 that call for preparation of a subsequent EIR or Negative Declaration have occurred.

Furthermore:

- The project will not have a significant effect on the environment;
- A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA;
- An Addendum was prepared documenting that none of the conditions described in Section 15162 calling for the preparation of a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report or Negative Declaration have occurred;
- Mitigation measures were not made a condition of project approval;
- · A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was not adopted for this project;
- · A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project; and
- Findings were made pursuant to CEQA.

This is to certify that the adopted Negative Declaration, Addendum, and record of project approval is available to the General Public at:

https://www.cityofsantacruz.com/government/city-departments/water/online-reports/environmentaldocuments

Title: Water Director

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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Environmental Impact Report (EIR)		\$3,445.25 \$		0.00
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)				
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW				
☐ Exempt from fee				
☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)				
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)				
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