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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2016112028

**Project Title:** Donnelly Stream Crossings and Pond Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0789-R1)

**Project Location:** The project to be completed is located within the Navarro River watershed, approximately 6.3 miles northeast of the town of Philo, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Section 22, T15N, R14W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Bailey Ridge U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Mendocino County Assessor's Parcel Numbers 154-190-06, 154-190-07, and 154-190-08; latitude 39.1505 N and longitude 123.3988 W at the first stream crossing (SC #1).

**Project Description:** The project is limited to four encroachments (Table 1). One encroachment is for the impoundment of water by an on-stream pond located on an unnamed tributary to the South Branch North Fork Navarro River. Water is diverted by the pond impoundment for aesthetic use and fire protection. There is no consumptive water use from the pond except emergency fire protection. One proposed encroachment is to upgrade a failing and undersized stream crossing. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the failing crossing, replacement with new properly sized crossing, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion. The other two encroachments are to upgrade existing stream crossings, without proper crossing infrastructure, to culverted stream crossings. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, placement of new properly sized culvert crossings, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

The Permittee has disclosed two water wells located at approximately 39.1512, -123.3981 and 39.1514, -123.3972. The well's potential for hydraulic connectivity to streams was not addressed in the Notification by a professional hydrogeologist licensed in the state of California and the Department has not evaluated this well.

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 in Table 1.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheri Sanville, Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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