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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2016112028

Project Title: Etherton Big Fir Farms Water Diversion Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0810-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project is located approximately 6. miles south east of the town of Whitethorn; affecting unnamed tributaries to Sebbas Creek in the County of Mendocino, State of California; Section 30, Township 5S, Range 03E; Humboldt Base and Meridian, in the Piercy, Calif. 7.5-minute quadrangle, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map.

Project Description: The project consists of 1 point of diversion from an unnamed tributary to Sebbas Creek.

Work for this encroachment includes one water diversion to be relocated out of the ATV road/trail. The point of diversion shall be placed upstream or downstream of the crossing, then to storage for domestic household use only. Other work will include maintenance and use of POD infrastructure. Additionally, the water tanks and generator/pumps shall be pulled back from the bank at a distance where delivery of any debris or fuels is avoided. Also, this notification discloses one rainwater catchment pond that provides for all the irrigation needs for cannabis operations. The rain catchment pond is lined with a water bladder which extends to the bank. This pond contains macro-vertebrates and micro invertebrates and appears to be hydrologically disconnected.

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 
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Date: 8/22/19

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