

**Notice of Determination****- 1 -****To:**

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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108****State Clearinghouse Number:** SCH # 2018071002**Project Title:** Strauss Wind Energy Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0314-R5)

**Project Location (include county):** The project site is located in unincorporated Santa Barbara County approximately 1.8 miles southwest of the City of Lompoc. The site is located within the California U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Tranquillon Mountain, Lompoc Hills, and Lompoc 7.5-minute quadrangles. The Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APN) associated with this project are: 083-100-004, 083-080-004, 083-090-002, 083-250-011, 083-100-008, 083-090-003, 083-100-007, and 083-090-004.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2018-314-R5, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Strauss Energy, LLC.

The overall project is the construction of a commercial wind energy farm on 5,618 acres of land. This Agreement covers project activities that will impact stream areas. These activities include improvements to existing roads, the construction of new access roads, wind turbine pads, a laydown yard, and a water well

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on April 8, 2020 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project  will /  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 environmental impact report 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 /  was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings  were /  were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature Erinn Wilson-Olgin

Date: 4/8/2020

Name, Title (Environmental Program Manager or Regional Manager)

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