

## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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To: Office of Planning Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Marin County Clerk  
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room #234  
San Rafael, CA 94903

From:

Public/Lead Agency: City of Novato  
Community Development Department  
922 Machin Avenue  
Novato, CA 94945

Lead Agency Contact: Steve Marshall, Planning Manager  
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**RE:** *Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code*

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2019109031

**Project Title:** Marin Country Club Stream Restoration and Facilities Improvement

**Project Proponent/Applicant:** Marin Country Club  
c/o Markus Lang, Dudek  
(530) 887.8500

**Project Location:** 500 Country Club Drive, City of Novato, County of Marin.

**Project Description:** See page below.

This is to advise that the City of Novato has approved the project described below on June 13, 2017, and has made the following determinations regarding the project:

1. The project **will not** have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration **was** prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting and monitoring plan **was** adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted for this project.
6. Findings **were** made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval is available to the general public at: City of Novato, Community Development Department, 922 Machin Avenue, Novato, CA 94945.

Signature: Steve Marshall

Title: Planning Manager

Date: 11/21/19

Date Received for Filing at OPR: Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

MARIN COUNTRY CLUB STREAM RESTORATION AND FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT  
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant, Marin Country Club (MCC), applied for a use permit pursuant to the City of Novato's (City) Waterway and Riparian Protection Ordinance and Wetland Protection and Restoration Ordinance to stabilize and restore eroded banks and degraded segments of Arroyo San Jose as it runs through the golf course at the Country Club.

Project information and technical reports may be downloaded at:

<https://www.novato.org/government/community-development/planning-division/planning-projects/marin-country-club-waterway-improvements-restoration>.

Arroyo San Jose is an intermittent creek, flowing west-to-east through the approximate center of the golf course. The proposed stabilization and restoration activities include:

- Partial or full pond spillway demolition, relocation, and/or reconstitution as naturalized boulder cascades to facilitate better upstream pond water capture and use and to enhance the channel/pond environs, as well as provide long-term bank/channel stability
- Main dam retrofit with automated slide gates to replace manual flashboards for winter flood-flow passage and dry season pond storage functions
- Channel restoration and bank stabilization to correct areas where high flows have eroded banks or resulted in slump failures and are resulting in downstream sediment delivery and threatening undermining existing facilities (e.g., cart paths, cart bridge abutments)
- Replacement of an undersized storm drain that currently discharges to the north edge of Pond 4 with two smooth-walled PVC storm drains to better convey watershed/golf course runoff to the pond and resolve nuisance flooding of the Hole 18 fairway
- Sediment removal from the existing pond system to restore storage capacity (primarily deposited in the upper reaches of the pond system during the wet winter of 2016)
- Installation of bypass pipes; one from Pond 5 to Pond 4 and another from Pond 4 to Pond 2, to convey stored waters in the upper ponds to lower reservoirs for irrigation supply