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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Chinook Salmon Coastal Release Project in Pillar Point Harbor

Lead Agency: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

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Project Location: Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County

City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The CFC proposes to release 750,000 juvenile hatchery-origin Central Valley fall-run Chinook Salmon from MOK from Pillar Point Harbor (PPH) in 2020. Juvenile salmon will be fractionally tagged with Coded-Wire Tags (CWT) and adipose fin-clipped at 25% of released fish, which matches requirements for mitigation and enhancement fish. CFC, in anticipation of fish delivery from MOK to PPH, has secured necessary equipment. CFC is prepared to provide both staffing and logistical support to facilitate release of fish at Project location. This includes necessary boat vessels provided and operated by CFC to assist in floating net movement and release of smolts. CFC will provide, assemble, and deploy a floating net pen that has an inner net to contain juvenile salmon, an outer net to exclude predators, and overall net to exclude birds, and an automated feeder. Fish will be delivered from MOK on a weekly basis in increments of approximately 250,000 fish using CDFW hatchery trucks. Once fish are delivered to net, it will be towed by CFC volunteers to an existing mooring location in outer PPH. Fish will be acclimated in floating net pen for 5 days at which point, CFC will tow the net outside of the harbor and the inner net will be removed to allow the juvenile salmon to escape into the ocean. The fish will be released in the outer harbor on an outgoing tide in order to facilitate their rapid exit to the ocean and to minimize in-harbor predation. CFC will then tow the net back to Johnson Pier for the next delivery, or if all deliveries have been completed, to the Pillar Point launch ramp for cleaning, disassembly, and storage.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The Project will not result in any significant nor potentially significant effects.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

There are no areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California Coastal Comission, State Resources Control Board, California Department of Fish and Wildlife