Notice of Determination

To:

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

State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Amacha Acres Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan 1-19NTMP-00008 SON "Amacha Acres" (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0267-R3)

Project Location: The project is located in Sonoma County, approximately 13 miles N of Jenner; Section 2, Township 8N, Range 13W, USGS Quad Plantation, Mt. Diablo base and meridian.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0267-R3, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, William Palyo.

The project is limited to removal and replacement of two permanent culverts over unnamed Class II watercourses at map points d and i; removal of a culvert and installation of a rocked ford over an unnamed Class II watercourse at map point g; a rocked ford installation over an unnamed Class II watercourse at map point j; and water drafting from an unnamed Class IV sag pond west of map point d.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above described project on June 22, 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—Docusigned by:

Signature Date: June 22, 2020

Craig J. Weightman, Environmental Program Manager

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AGREEMENT REGARDING PROPOSED LAKE OR STREAM ALTERATION NO. 1600-2019-0267-R3

William Palyo, Landowner
Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan 1-19NTMP-00008 SON "Amacha Acres"

CEQA FINDINGS

INTRODUCTION:

The California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"; Public Resources Code §21000, *et seq.*), and the State CEQA Guidelines ("Guidelines"; 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15000, *et seq.*) require that prior to reaching a decision on a project, a responsible agency must consider the environmental effects of the project as shown in the document prepared by the lead agency.

As the lead agency for the Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan 1-19NTMP-00008 SON "Amacha Acres", the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), certified an environmental impact report on March 17, 2020.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife ("CDFW") is issuing an agreement regarding proposed Lake or Streambed Alteration to the project applicant, William Palyo, 22111 Signaigo, Jenner, CA 95490. For the Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan 1-19NTMP-00008 SON "Amacha Acres", the applicant is proposing to install two culverts, install two rocked ford crossings, and draft water from a Class IV sag pond.

CDFW is a responsible agency under CEQA for the purpose of approving the Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement necessitated by the lead agency's proposed project. As a CEQA responsible agency, CDFW is required by Guidelines §15096 to review the environmental document certified by the lead agency approving the project and to make certain findings concerning the project's potential to cause significant, adverse environmental effects. However, when considering alternatives and mitigation measures approved by the lead agency, a responsible agency is more limited than the lead agency. CDFW has responsibility for mitigating or avoiding only the direct or indirect environmental effects of the Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement that it approves.

FINDING:

CDFW has considered the environmental impact report prepared by the lead agency. CDFW has independently concluded that the Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement should be issued under the terms and conditions specified therein. CDFW finds that with the mitigation measures incorporated into the Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement, there will be no significant effects from the proposed project.

The Project is Approved. 6/22/2020	DocuSigned by:	
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