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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION (Public Resources Code section 21108)

Lease 8609; A2663 SCH#: 2020110089

Item: 35

Title: Bobcat Flat East Phase III Floodplain and Channel Restoration Project

Proponent: Tuolumne River Conservancy

Location: Sovereign land in the Tuolumne River channel and floodplain at Bobcat Flat, adjacent to Assessor's Parcel Numbers 008-021-011, -025, -026, near Waterford, Stanislaus County.

Description: The Bobcat Flat East (Phase III) Project is proposed to restore, increase, and enhance the quantity and quality of salmonid spawning and rearing habitat and improve habitat for waterfowl and other aquatic and terrestrial species between River Miles 43.5± to 44.5± within and adjacent to the Tuolumne River by: Reestablishing natural floodplain processes through channel contouring and connections; Replenishing spawning gravel through augmentation; and Bank re-vegetation and riparian habitat preservation activities promoting both wetland and upland native plant communities.

This is to advise that the California State Lands Commission, as □Lead Agency ☒ Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on February 25, 2022, and made the following determinations regarding the project.

1) The project □ will ☒ will not have a significant effect on the environment.

2) A ☒ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

3) Mitigation measures ☒ were □ were not made a condition of the approval of the project.

4) A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan ☒ was or □ was not adopted for this project.

5) A Statement of Overriding Considerations □ was ☒ was not adopted for the project.

6) Findings □ were ☒ were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The lead agency for the project, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Board), adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) and approved the project on December 14, 2020. The California State Lands Commission has considered the MND as prepared for this project by the Board and independently adopted an MMP incorporating the Board's document. The MND and the record of project approval may be examined at the above shown California State Lands Commission Sacramento office address.

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