## Notice of Determination

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

## State Clearinghouse Number: 2021060719

**Project Title:** Moss Landing Wildlife Area Bank Enhancement Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MON-32098-R4)

**Project Location:** The Project is located within the Moss Landing Wildlife Area, east of State Route 1, adjacent to the north bank of Elkhorn Slough, in the County of Monterey, California, Latitude 36°49'3.4998"N, Longitude -121°46'44.472"W, or Sections 7 and 8, Township 13 South, Range 2 East, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Moss Landing, Assessor's Parcel Numbers 413-023-008-000, 413-023-005-000, 413-023-009-000; And within Seal Bend Meadow, directly adjacent to the Moss Landing Wildlife Area, within Elkhorn Slough, Latitude 36°48'56.74"N and Longitude -121°45'58.19"W, Assessor's Parcel Number 413-023-003-000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-MON-32089-R4), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, CDFW. The Project includes activities related The Project includes activities related to levee relocation and bank recontour along the north bank of Elkhorn Slough, and improvements to public recreation, access, and management features. The Project will also implement long-term maintenance strategies to enhance salt pond habitat and water management capabilities.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on  $\frac{6/7/2023}{2000}$  and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

- 1. The project 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 Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan was adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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The Mitigated Negative Declaration 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 a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_