Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021110300

Project Title: Lake Elsinore 35 [Lakeside] Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. (EPIMS-RIV-

33479-R6)

Project Location (County of Riverside): The Lake Elsinore 35 [Lakeside] Project (Project) is located near Riverside Avenue to the north and west, Grand Avenue to the south and west, and Lake Elsinore to the northeast, in the City of Lake Elsinore, County of Riverside, State of California; Latitude 33.663728 Longitude -117.382324; Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 379-060-005, 379-060-022, and 369-060-027. The Project is located in Section 10 of Township 5 South, Range 4 West as depicted on the USGC Alberhill, California 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle map.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-RIV-33479-R6), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, Chris Willis of Tri-Pointe Homes.

The Project proposes to connect storm drains to Riverside County Flood Control Lime Street (Hill Street) Storm Drain channel at two locations. The first location, at the shoulder of the Highway 74, would include the connection of a 24-inch storm drainpipe. The second location which is located approximately 650 feet downstream, consists of a connection of a 1.5-foot high by 5-foot-wide box culvert. The storm drain connection would result in permanent impact to 0.01 acre of the Hill Street Ditch at these two outlet points.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on February 15, 2023, 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).
- 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.

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. CDFW's regional office. Signature: Date: 2/15/2023 Kim Freeburn, Environmental Program Manager

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Date Received for filing at OPR: