Notice of Determination

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Office of Planning and Research CEQA Submit

From:

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DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2022040442

Project Title: Humboldt Redwoods Watershed Restoration Program (Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2022-004-R1)

Project Location: The project is located within the Eel River watershed, approximately 5 miles W/SW of the town of Weott, County of Humboldt, State of California.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has issued Restoration Management Permit Number RMP-2022-0003-R2), pursuant to section 2081(a) of the Fish and Game Code to the project Permittee, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

The project is expected to build watershed resiliency and forest health by accelerating development of forest characteristics more typical of late-seral forests, reducing fire hazards and chronic sediment inputs to creeks, and enhancing terrestrial and aquatic habitat for native species. Vegetation management, aquatic restoration, road removal, and remediation of illegal cannabis cultivation sites will occur over approximately 53,000-acres and be phased over approximately the next 30 years.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on August 22, 2022, 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 Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
- 3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
- Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The 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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| Rebecca Garwood, | Envilonmental Program Manager | | |
| Date Received for filing at OPR: | | | |