Notice of Determination

TO: Notice of Planning and Research FROM: Department of Fish and Wildlife Northern Region 601 Locust Street For U.S. Mail: Redding, California 96001 P.O. Box 3044 Contact: Daniel Harrington Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Phone: (707) 465 0335 LEAD AGENCY (if different from above): Street Address: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection 135 Ridgway Avenue 1400 Tenth Street Santa Rosa, California 95401 Sacramento, CA 95814 Contact: Dominik Schwab Phone: (707) 576-2941 SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to § 21108 of the Public Resources Code State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): Project Title: Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2022-0007-R1 for Timber Harvesting Plan (THP) 1-22-00012-MEN Project Location: The project is located approximately 2.75 miles southwest of Branscomb, in Mendocino County, on unnamed tributaries to O'Conner Gulch and the North Fork Ten Mile River. The project is located in Sections 5, 8, and 9, Township (T) 20N, Range (R) 16W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian, in the Dutchmans Knoll, California, U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle. Project Description: The Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is issuing an agreement for modify Class II and Class III watercourses at existing road crossings. This is to advise that CDFW, acting as ☐ the Lead Agency / ☒ a Responsible Agency approved the above-described project and has made the following determinations: 1. The project \square will \square will not have a significant effect on the environment. (This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's jurisdiction when CDFW acts as a responsible agency.) 2. An environmental impact report / A negative declaration / A timber harvesting plan / nonindustrial timber management plan was prepared for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). 3. Mitigation measures \infty were / \subseteq were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project. 4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations ☐ was / ☒ was not adopted by CDFW for this project. 5. Findings ☐ were / ☒ were not made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW adopted findings to document its compliance with CEQA. 6. Payment is not required due to provisions of Public Resources Code §4629.6 (c). Lead Agency certification: CDFW, as Lead Agency, has made the final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, available to the General Public at the CDFW office identified above. Responsible Agency statement: The final EIR, Negative Declaration or THP/NTMP that was prepared by the Lead Agency for this project is available to the General Public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's CEQA Findings are available at the Eureka CDFW office located at 619 Second Street, Eureka, California, 95501. DocuSigned by: Ion Hendrix 6/14/2022 Signature: Date: Jon Hendrix, Senior Environmental Scientist (Supervisory) Northern Region, Department of Fish and Wildlife