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Notice of Determination

To:

Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
CEQA Submit

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2012082032

Project Title: Meridian Farms Water Company Fish Screen (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. SUT-27272-R2) Amendment

Project Location: The project is located in two sites on the Sacramento River and several miles from the existing concrete-lined Main Canal between the two river sites, in the County of Sutter, State of California. The site of the Meridian Diversion and Pumping Plant is north of the intersection of Meridian Road and Alameda Street; Latitude 39.14833, Longitude -121.91750. The site of the Drexler Pumping Plant is approximately 0.27-mile northwest of the intersection of Moroni Road and S Meridian Road, Latitude 39.110798, Longitude -121.902934.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has amended Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number SUT-27272-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Meridian Farms Water Company.

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This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Lead Agency, amended the above-described Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement Amendment on the date signed below and has made

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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 as 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 execution of the above Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement Amendment as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Signature: Tanya Sheya 1ABC45303752499... *Date:* 8/4/2026

Tanya Sheya, Environmental Program Manager