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Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2012052019

Project Title: Indian Creek Sediment Reduction Project – Sebbas Creek Component (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MEN-69908-R1C)

Project Location (Mendocino): The Project to be completed is located within the South Fork Eel River watershed, approximately 11.3 miles northwest of the town of Leggett, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Sections 4, 5, 31, and 32, Townships 5S and 24N, Ranges 3E and 18W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Piercy and Bear Harbor U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangles; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 052-030-02, 052-030-04, 052-070-09, 052-080-02, and 052-030-06; latitude 39.97880 N and longitude 123.87356 W at the first stream crossing (111).

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-MEN-69908-R1C), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Karen Youngblood, representing Redwood Forest Foundation.

The Project is limited to 22 encroachments to upgrade existing stream crossings. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the existing crossing structures, replacement with new properly sized culverts or armored fill crossings, backfilling and compaction of fill, rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion, and implementation of hydrologic disconnection techniques as needed.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on October 15, 2026, 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).

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3. Mitigation measures **were** 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.
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.

Signature: DocuSigned by: Rebecca Garwood B5D12ECE94824AF... *Date:* 10/15/2026

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Date Received for filing at LCI: