

Notice of Determination**- 1 -****To:**

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2019100230

Project Title: Black Oak Ranch Water Conservation and Flow Enhancement Project, Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2025-0008-R1 (Project)

Project Location: The Project is located on the 600-acre Black Oak Ranch approximately four miles north-northeast of Laytonville, California. The Project is located in the County of Mendocino, State of California; Latitude 39.74275 and Longitude -123.53263; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 013-560-46, 013-560-47, and 013-580-60.

Project Description: On July, 11, 2025, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) issued a Restoration Management Permit (RMP) pursuant to section 1670 et seq. of the Fish and Game Code to the Salmonid Restoration Federation for the Project. This Project will construct an off-channel storage pond and storage tanks that will allow for water to be withdrawn in the wet season and subsequent forbearance during the dry season. The landowner currently withdraws surface water during the dry season through a riparian water right, and the Project will result in forbearance during the dry season which will improve flow and water quality for aquatic species in Tenmile and Streeter Creeks. CDFW has determined that the Project is a qualifying restoration project pursuant to section 1671(d)(1) of the Fish and Game Code, and the Project is expected to result in a substantial, cumulative benefit to native fish and other aquatic species. This notice is to advise that CDFW issued the above-described RMP and has made the following determinations regarding the Project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

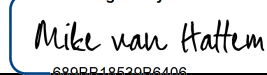
This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a responsible agency approved the above-described project on July, 11, 2025, and made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

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. The State Water Resources Control Board prepared a program environmental impact report for its Order for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification and Waste Discharge Requirements for Restoration Projects Statewide.
3. Additional 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 the Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted by CDFW for the project.
6. Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21081(a).
7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code section 711.4 :

A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.

Responsible Agency statement: The EIR prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's record of issuance of the RMP is available at CDFW's regional office.

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Date: 7/15/2025

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