

Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020080439

Project Title: MUSD Stream Restoration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MEN-66299-R1C)

Project Location (Mendocino County): The Project to be completed is located approximately 1 mile east of the village of Mendocino, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 30, T16, R17, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Mendocino U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 119-100-00-03; latitude 39.31279 N and longitude -123.78166 W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-MEN-66299-R1C), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, Jason Morse, representing Mendocino Unified School District.

The Project is limited to one (1) encroachment for stream restoration of an unnamed tributary to Slaughterhouse Gulch. Work will include excavation of a new stream channel, capping of existing culverts to be abandoned in place, and planting native riparian and wetland vegetation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on June 8, 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).
3. 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 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.

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Date: 6/8/2026

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Date Received for filing at LCI: