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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021030344

Project Title: Loma Alta Slough Wetland Enhancement Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SDO-34398-R5)

Project Location (San Diego County): The Loma Alta Slough Wetland Enhancement Project (Project) is located at Loma Alta Slough at the mouth of Loma Alta Creek, bounded by South Pacific Street and Buccaneer Beach on the west side, South Coast Highway on the east side, Buccaneer Park and Paradise By the Sea RV Resort on the south side, and the La Salina Wastewater Treatment Plant and commercial property on the north side, in the City of Oceanside, County of San Diego.

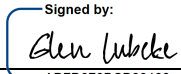
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Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SDO-34398-R5 (Agreement), pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Oceanside. The Project involves enhancement of the existing marsh in the Slough and restoration of marsh and transitional uplands in the adjacent properties. Goals of the project include improving and restoring habitat for native species, providing increased habitat resiliency to sea-level rise, improving water quality in the Slough, and enhancing recreational enjoyment of the area. The Agreement is being amended to authorize additional temporary impacts to wetland and riparian habitats as a result of equipment access needs.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on November 6, 2025, and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to Section 15096, subdivision (i) of the California Code of Regulations:

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 Final 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:  Date: 3/16/2026
Glen M. Lubcke, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at LCI: