

**Notice of Determination**

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2021080129

**Project Title:** Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Open Space Maintenance and Restoration Program (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SMO-22941-R3)

**Project Location (San Mateo County):** The amended project is located at an unnamed ephemeral channel on the Picchetti Ranch in San Mateo County, at Latitude 37.288152, Longitude -122.082649.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has amended Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-SMO-22941-R3), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District.

The project as amended would add one Streambed Alteration Project to Routine Maintenance Agreement EPIMS-SMO-22941-R3. The added project involves constructing a 16-foot elevated boardwalk (puncheon) for access to a multiuse trail that crosses an unnamed ephemeral channel, which drains to Steven’s Creek Reservoir. Project impacts will include excavating approximately 1 cubic yard of material, primarily within the trail footprint, and installation will involve hand tools and a mini excavator and/or skidsteer.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on July 10, 2025 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 environmental impact report 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 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: 

Date: 7/11/2025

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Date Received for filing at LCI: