

Notice of Determination

To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research
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From: Sonoma County Water Agency
404 Aviation Blvd.
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

☒ County Clerk
County of Sonoma
585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: Laguna-Mark West Creek Watershed Master Restoration Planning Project – High Priority Project

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted): 2023020533

Project Location (include county): The project site is located along the Laguna de Santa Rosa (Laguna) between the confluences of Santa Rosa and Mark West creeks, approximately five miles west of the City of Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.

Project Description: The project would restore 119.43 acres to freshwater marsh, wet meadow, and riparian forest habitats along a 3,200-foot-long reach of the Laguna. The site historically supported these habitat types prior to agricultural development. The restoration actions would consist of reestablishing the historic alignment of the Laguna, converting the existing engineered channel to a backwater, connecting two small east-west flowing tributary drainages to the new channel, and revegetation with native plants. The new channel and tributary connections would form a meandering stream configuration representative of the historic channel at the project site. The new channel and floodplain would be graded to inundate newly established wetland habitat types and to connect existing tributaries traversing the site. The project would also include an access path to allow for trash and debris removal.

This is to advise that the Sonoma County Water Agency, ☒ Lead Agency ☐ Responsible Agency, has approved the above described project on August 1, 2023, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
☒ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the mitigated negative declaration is on file at Sonoma County Water Agency's administrative office at 404 Aviation Blvd., Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

 for GD
Signature

General Manager
Title

8/1/2023
Date

Date received for filing and posting at OPR: August 1, 2023