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Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2024051079

Project Title: WETA Vallejo Ferry Terminal Reconfiguration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SOL-57090-R3)

Project Location (Solano): The Project is located at the Mare Island Straight (Napa River) at the Vallejo Ferry Terminal at 289 Mare Island Way, Vallejo, CA 94590, County of Solano; Latitude 38.10012°, Longitude -122.26263°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-SOL-57090-R3), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority, as represented by Chad Mason.

The Project includes removal and replacement of an existing gangway, passenger float, and associated piles of the existing ferry terminal to extend the terminal 200 feet further into the Napa River. The purpose of reconfiguring WETA's Vallejo Ferry Terminal is to reduce the need to perform maintenance dredging activities which are necessary to maintain safe operation of the ferry service. The reconfiguration is expected to reduce dredging maintenance activities from every four years to every 20 years. The Project will occur in one construction season, except for geotechnical borings, with in-water work occurring August 1 to November 30. Ferry service will continue through construction via placement of a temporary ferry terminal (passenger float) in the same location it is placed for dredging maintenance activities previously covered under Streambed

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Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2021-0007-R3 (expired). Project activities include geotechnical boring, placement of the temporary passenger float, removal of the existing ferry terminal structures, and construction of the new ferry terminal structures. All work will be conducted from two barges, one for materials storage and one equipped with a crane and pile driver, except that geotechnical borings will be performed from a barge prior to other work.

Access to the Project area will occur via existing developed access points such as docks or boat ramps, existing boat lanes, and existing street access on Mare Island Way to the ferry terminal. The Project is expected to cause the permanent loss of 0.0962 acres of stream habitat, and temporary loss of 0.141 acres of stream habitat. The Project is also expected to cause 0.045 acres of hydroacoustic impacts in the peak sound pressure level zone for mortality sound levels and 8.86 acres of hydroacoustic impacts in the accumulated sound exposure level zone for injurious sound levels.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on August 18, 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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Craig Weightman, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at LCI: