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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: 2024070139

Project Title: Wildcat Creek Fish Passage Implementation Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-CCA-50487-R3)

Project Location (Contra Costa): The project is located at Wildcat Creek, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California; Latitude 37.961889, Longitude -122.361126; in unincorporated North Richmond. The nearest address is 2000 Giaramita Street, Richmond, CA, 94801; APN 409-300-036-0.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has amended Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-CCA-50487-R3), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Contra Costa County – Flood Control and Water Conservation District as represented by Allison Knapp.

The amendment is limited to design changes and additional monitoring to address two buried utility lines within the project area. The changes include adding an additional berm of engineered fill, topped with rock slope protection, within the sediment basin, as well as extending the roughened ramp portion approximately 17 feet westward within the concrete channel and reducing the number of step pools from 14 to 12. The amendment also includes a new monitoring condition to ensure the structure provides adequate fish passage.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the amended project described above on October 8, 2026, and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

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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 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: DocuSigned by: Melissa Farinha 0D25EB6A0381473... *Date:* 10/16/2026

Melissa Farinha, Environmental Program Manager

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