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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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

State Clearinghouse Number: State Clearinghouse Number: 2024070944

Project Title: Tide's End Multibenefit Restoration Project (Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2026-0056-R3 (RMP))

Project Location (Yolo County): The 2,201-acre Project is located in the Sacramento Valley, in the southern end of the Yolo Bypass, bordered on the east by the Toe Drain (a migratory fish corridor) and on the south by the Yolo Flyway Farms Tidal Habitat Restoration Project. The Project is located in the County of Yolo, State of California; Latitude 38.387008 and Longitude -121.638039

Project Description: The Project will create a tidal channel network with connectivity to adjacent floodplain habitat, reduction of impediments to fish passage on and off the floodplain, creation and enhancement of floodplain riparian habitat and other native vegetation communities that may lead to enhancement of aquatic food web production and export, and to accommodate migration of habitats due to sea level rise. Project outcomes are expected to benefit many special status native species including Delta smelt (*Hypomesus transpacificus*), longfin smelt (*Spirinchus thaleichthys*), Chinook salmon

(*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*; Sacramento River winter-run, Central Valley spring-run, and Central Valley fall/late-fall-run Evolutionarily Significant Units (ESU)), steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), green and white sturgeon (*Acipenser spp.*), Sacramento splittail (*Pogonichthys macrolepidotus*), giant garter snake (*Thamnophis gigas*; GGS), western pond turtle (*Actinemys marmorata*; WPT), and multiple bird and plant species.

CDFW has determined that the Project is a qualifying restoration project pursuant to section 1671(d)(1) of the Fish and Game Code, and the Project is expected to result in a substantial, cumulative benefit to native fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitat, or any combination thereof. This notice is to advise that CDFW issued the above-described RMP and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency approved the above-described project on 10/27/2026 and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

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. An environmental impact report was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional 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 made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a).

Responsible Agency statement: The SEIR prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the RMP is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

Signature: DocuSigned by: Erin Chappell B77E9A6211EF486... *Date:* 10/27/2026

Erin Chappell, Regional Manager