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ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

1. Project Title: The 2024 Fisheries Restoration Grant Program's Mitigated Negative Declaration Project in Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Siskiyou, Santa Barbara, and Ventura counties.

2. Lead Agency Name and Address:

   State of California
   Department of Fish and Wildlife
   Watershed Restoration Grants Branch
   P.O. Box 944209
   Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

3. Contact People and Phone Numbers:

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4. Project Location: Various sites in Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Siskiyou, Santa Barbara, and Ventura County. (Appendix A).

5. Project Sponsor's Name and Address:

   California Department of Fish and Wildlife
   Fisheries Restoration Grant Program Headquarters
   Watershed Restoration Grants Branch
   P.O. Box 944209
   Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

6. General Plan Designation: Various

7. Zoning: Various

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8. Description of Project: Implementation of 14 action items for restoration of anadromous salmonid habitat (Appendix A). These action items include measures to improve anadromous fish passage, reduce erosion and sedimentation, enhance instream habitat, improve water quality, and improve juvenile survival.

9. Surrounding Land Uses and Setting: Briefly describe the project's surroundings: Action items will be surrounded by lands consisting of agriculture, private holdings, forests used for timber production as well as national, state, and county parks.

10. Other Public Agencies Whose Approval Is Required: U.S Army Corps of Engineers, North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, and Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, and Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board.

11. Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21080.3.1? If so, is there a plan for consultation that includes, for example, the determination of significance of impacts to tribal cultural resources, procedures regarding confidentiality, etc.? CDFW reached out to traditionally and culturally affiliated California Native American tribes, if consultation is requested FRGP staff will begin consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21080.3.1 immediately.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a “Potentially Significant Impact” as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

☐	Aesthetics	☐	Agriculture and Forestry Resources	☐	Air Quality
☐	Biological Resources	☐	Cultural Resources	☐	Energy
☐	Geology / Soils	☐	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	☐	Hazards & Hazardous Materials
☐	Hydrology/Water Quality	☐	Land Use / Planning	☐	Mineral Resources
☐	Noise	☐	Population / Housing	☐	Public Services
☐	Recreation	☐	Transportation	☐	Tribal Cultural Resources
☐	Utilities / Service Systems	☐	Wildfire	☐	Mandatory Findings of Significance

This project will not have a “Potential Significant Impact” on any of the environmental factors listed above; therefore, no boxes are checked.

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DETERMINATION:

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

☐	I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
☒	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
☐	I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
☐	I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.
☐	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required

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