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Notice of Determination

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

State Clearinghouse Number (SCH No.): 2025041172

Project Title: Permit No. 20101 – Matthews Recharge Basin Project

Project Applicant: Matthews Ditch Company; James Silva, General Manager; 15370 Avenue 256, Visalia, CA, 93292; jsilva@cpdc1874.org; (559) 747-1177

Lead Agency: Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District; Luis Verdugo, Engineer; 2975 N. Farmersville Blvd., Farmersville, CA, 93223; lverdugo@kdwcd.com; (559) 747-5601

Project Location: This project is located on APN 078-110-014 within the St John's River Designated Floodway and the Tulare County Resource Management Agency at 36.365975°N, 119.302063°W, Tulare County.

Project Description: Approval of Permit No. 20101, under California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Article 3, Section 6, for work within an adopted plan of flood control: To construct a groundwater recharge facility. The Project includes: four basin cells each cell connection will be equipped with two structures, rip rap, and piping. Diversion facility - precast reinforced flared concrete turnout structure, pipeline control gate(s), trash rack, and related pump infrastructure, rip rap, and approximately 422 linear feet of 60-inch reinforced concrete pipe to be encased to springline with Controlled Low-Strength Material (CLSM). The project will include a riparian buffer area that will cover approximately 14.5 acres of native species such as valley oak, Fremont cottonwood, velvet ash, box elder, and red willow.

This is to advise that the Board, as the **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 / ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within the Board's permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. [☐ An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) / ☒ A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [☐ were / ☒ were not] made a condition of the Board's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [☐ was / ☒ was not] adopted by the Board for this project
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was / ☒ was not] adopted by the Board for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were / ☐ were not] made by the Board pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

Responsible Agency Statement: The MND, prepared by the lead agency for the project, is available to the general public at the lead agency's office listed above. The Board's administrative record related to the Board permit is available for public review at the Board's office.

Chris Lief — 10/27/2026

Signature — Chris Lief, Executive Officer — Date

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21100-21174, Public Resources Code.