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# Notice of Determination

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*CEQA Submit*

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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2026050969

**Project Title:** San Pablo Dam Road Storm Drain and Slide Repair Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-CCA-60587-R3)

**Project Location (Contra Costa County):** The project is located at San Pablo Creek, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California; Latitude 37.96269°, Longitude -122.28619°; the nearest cross streets are San Pablo Dam Road and La Honda Road, El Sobrante, CA, 94803; Assessor's Parcel Number 433-242-018-3.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-CCA-60587-R3), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, the project Applicant, Contra Costa County Public Works Department as represented by Stephen Kowalewski.

The purpose of the project is to stabilize an embankment failure located between San Pablo Creek and the north side of San Pablo Dam Road. The project will install a stitch pile wall on the embankment between the roadway and San Pablo Creek, consisting of cast-in-drilled-hole concrete piles and measuring approximately 150 feet in length. The project will excavate the slope between the wall and San Pablo Dam Road and reconstruct the slope with excavated material reinforced with layers of geogrid. The project will also relocate an existing 18-inch culvert outfall outside of the repair area, and will repair the culvert using cured-in-place pipe lining. A concrete flared end section discharging to a rock slope protection pad will be installed on the relocated culvert outfall. The project will repair approximately 200 feet of San Pablo Dam Road. Approximately 60 trees will be removed from the 0.34-acre project area to facilitate project activities.

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This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on October 21, 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.

*Signature:* DocuSigned by: Melissa Farinha 0D25EB6A0381473... *Date:* 10/21/2026

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Date Received for filing at LCI: