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To:
Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
CEQA Submit

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Redwood Creek Habitat Enhancement Project at Mount Tamalpais State Park (Restoration Management Permit No. RMP-2026-0055-R3)

Project Location (Marin County): The Project is located within the Redwood Creek watershed in Marin County, approximately 1.35 miles northeast and upstream of Muir Beach, and approximately 3 miles west of the City of Mill Valley. The Project encompasses approximately 7,128 linear feet of Redwood Creek within Mount Tamalpais State Park, downstream of Muir Woods National Monument and upstream of Golden Gate National Recreation Area and includes approximately 5 acres of restoration spanning portions of Marin Water lands, the Green Gulch Zen Center, and other private properties; Latitude 37.88106 N, Longitude -122.57385 W.

Project Description: On November 23, 2026, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) issued this Restoration Management Permit (RMP) pursuant to section 1670 of the Fish and Game Code to the California Department of Parks and Recreation – Bay Area District. This Project will restore habitat diversity and complexity within Redwood Creek by enhancing spawning and rearing habitat for coho salmon and steelhead trout, restoring riparian habitat, and improving floodplain processes and riparian woodland function. 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, or their habitat, or any combination thereof. This notice is to advise that CDFW issued the above-described RMP on the date signed below.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status: The Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.56. Under Public Resources Code section 21080.1, subdivision (a), the lead agency is responsible for determining whether a project is exempt from CEQA, and that determination is final and conclusive on all persons, including responsible agencies. Notwithstanding Section 21080.1, subdivision (a), a lead agency's determination that a project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.56 is only valid if the exemption determination is made after the Director of CDFW has concurred with the lead agency's preliminary determination that the project meets certain qualifying criteria set forth in Public Resources Code section 21080.56, subdivisions (a) to (d), inclusive.

On February 26, 2026, the California Department of Parks and Recreation – Bay Area District made a preliminary determination that the Project meets certain qualifying criteria set forth in Public Resources Code section 21080.56, subdivisions (a) to (d), inclusive. On April 2, 2026, the Director of CDFW concurred with the California Department of Parks and Recreation – Bay Area District preliminary determination. On September 1, 2026, the California Department of Parks and Recreation – Bay Area District as CEQA lead agency made a final determination that the Project meets certain qualifying criteria set forth in Public Resources Code section 21080.56, subdivisions (a) to (d), inclusive, and the California Department of Parks and Recreation – Bay Area District determined that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.56. CDFW, now acting as a CEQA responsible agency for the issuance of the RMP on November 23, 2026, is bound by the California Department of Parks and Recreation – Bay Area District determination on September 1, 2026, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.56.

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