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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2012082037

Project Title: Watmaugh Road Bridge Over Sonoma Creek Replacement Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SON-41605-R3)

Project Location (Sonoma County): The project is located at Sonoma Creek, in an unincorporated area of the County of Sonoma, State of California; Latitude 38.265753°, Longitude -122.467368°; where Watmaugh Road crosses Sonoma Creek.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SON-41605-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Sonoma Public Infrastructure.

The Project includes demolition of the existing three-span bridge over Sonoma Creek, which measures 170 feet long and 24 feet wide, and replacement with a new three-span pre-

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stressed concrete bridge in the same location and alignment that will measure 180 feet long and 32 feet wide. A temporary gravel work pad within the creek channel and a temporary diversion will be needed to construct the new piers and dismantle the existing bridge. The total length of the temporary diversion will be approximately 120 linear feet and will cover up to 0.08 acres of the channel of Sonoma Creek. Construction within the dewatered portion of Sonoma Creek will be completed within one season from June 15 through October 15. The Project will result in approximately 0.08 acres of permanent impacts to riparian habitat from new RSP placement, approximately 0.08 acres of temporary impacts to riparian habitat from construction of the temporary access road and temporary work pad, and approximately 0.08 acres of temporary impacts to aquatic habitat from dewatering. The Project will also result in the removal of six riparian trees.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on 3/16/2026 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to Section 15096, subdivision (i) of the California Code of Regulations:

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 environmental impact report 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** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The Final EIR 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:

 Date: 3/16/2026

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Date Received for filing at LCI: