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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: 2011092059

Project Title: Shortcut Pipeline Phase 3 Improvement Project Amendment (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-CCA-44206-R3)

Project Location (Contra Costa County): The project is located at Walnut Creek between the western side of the Marathon refinery and the Conco Industrial site development, in the City of Martinez, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California; approximate center is Latitude 38.019922 N, Longitude -122.075150 W; Assessor's Parcel Number 159-250-019-0.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed an amendment to Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (EPIMS-CCA-44206-R3), pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Contra Costa Water District.

The project is limited to measures to minimize golden mussel introduction into Walnut Creek or Pacheco Creek from discharge of untreated water by one or a combination of the following methods: percolation/desiccation of discharged water, discharging water into the Contra Costa Water Sanitation Sewer system, chlorination of the discharged water, and/or having all discharged water be filtered to capture golden mussel. Additionally, the amendment includes a golden mussel monitoring plan to identify species presence at monitoring locations along Walnut Creek and Pacheco Creek.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the amendment described above on November 10, 2025 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 not** 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 Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (Supplement) 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.

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