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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2015102005

Project Title: Baker Water Diversion and Stream Crossings Projects (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-55748-R1C)

Project Location (include county): The Project to be completed is located within the Bug Creek - Mad River watershed, approximately 6.4 miles northwest of the town of Dinsmore, County of Humboldt, State of California. The Project is located in Section 05, T02N, R05E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Showers Mountain U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 317-132-016-000; latitude 40.5841 N and longitude 123.6294 W at the point of diversion (POD).

Project Description: The Project is limited to seven encroachments. One encroachment is for water diversion from a spring at the head of a Class II stream. Water is diverted for domestic use. Work for the water diversion will include removal and re-installation of compliant diversion infrastructure, use, and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure. One encroachment is for the decommissioning of a stream crossing. The six other proposed encroachments are to upgrade existing culverts and rock ford crossings. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the existing culverts, road fill and approaches armoring, backfilling and compaction of fill, and additional rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as the Lead Agency / a Responsible Agency approved the above-described project 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. A mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
CDFW considered the mitigated negative declaration / negative declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were / were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was / 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 Public Resources Code section 21081, subdivision (a).

The mitigated negative declaration / 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 related to the Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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Date: 7/18/2025

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