

### **Attachment B: CEQA Addendum**

The Water Board is the lead agency for this Project under the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Res. Code § 21000 *et seq.*) (CEQA). This Order renews the 2013 Waiver for existing Grazing Operations. The Water Board adopted a negative declaration on July 18, 2008, concurrent with the adoption of the 2008 Waiver. The Water Board adopts this addendum to the 2008 negative declaration pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, section 15164, to support the decision that a subsequent negative declaration is not necessary.

The proposed changes to the Project, as part of renewing the 2013 Grazing Waiver, involve only minor technical changes and additions to the 2013 Waiver to improve clarity and reporting compliance. The renewed waiver does not expand use beyond the scope of the 2013 Waiver. Additionally, there:

- a) have been no substantial changes in the Order that would result in new significant environmental effects or increases in the severity of previously identified less-than-significant effects;
- b) have been no changes with respect to Grazing Lands or Grazing Operations which would require revision of the previous negative declaration due to the identification of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified less-than-significant effects; and
- c) is no new information of substantial importance, which was not known, and could not have been known, with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous negative declaration was adopted.

For these reasons, the Water Board relies on the previous negative declaration and this addendum, and finds that the conditions of this Order will avoid any significant environmental effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur. There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the Water Board, that the Order, as conditioned, may have a significant effect on the environment.