Notice of Determination

To:
☒ Office of Planning and Research

From:
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 14th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2000042043

Project Title: Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project Phase 2

Project Location (include county): Southeast of Redding in Tehama and Shasta Counties

Project Description: The Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project (Project) will reestablish approximately 42 miles of Chinook salmon and steelhead habitat in the north and south forks of Battle Creek, plus an additional 6 miles of habitat on its tributaries. Restoration will be accomplished primarily through the modification of the existing Battle Creek Hydroelectric Project (Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 1121) facilities and operations, including instream flow releases. Facility and operational modifications will be on a scale where habitat improvement goals can be met without excessive loss of renewable electric generation. Specifically, the Restoration Project is intended to benefit the Central Valley spring-run Chinook salmon, state and federally listed as threatened; the Sacramento River winter-run Chinook salmon, state and federally listed as endangered; and the Central Valley steelhead, state and federally listed as threatened.

This is to advise that the State Water Resources Control Board (Lead Agency) has approved the above described project on JUN 10 2016 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project ☒ will ☐ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures ☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at: 1001 I Street, 14th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Signature (Public Agency): Thomas Howard
Title EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Date 6/10/16

Date Received for filing at OPR 