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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Subject: Review of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the

East Sand Slough Side Channel Project, Tehama County,

State Clearinghouse Number 2019079011

Dear Mr. McCubbins,

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) has reviewed the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the above-referenced project (Project). The Department's review of this Project is pursuant to our role as the State's trustee and responsible agency for fish and wildlife resources under the California Environmental Quality Act, California Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.

The Project is a salmonid rearing habitat restoration project which consists of reconnecting East Sand Slough to the Sacramento River, adjacent to the City of Red Bluff, Tehama County.

The Department provided comments on the draft Biological Report and the administrative draft of the IS/MND on October 31, 2018, and May 30, 2019, respectively. The IS/MND incorporated the Departments previous recommendations; therefore, the Department has no further comment. If the Project description changes in any way or additional biological resource information becomes available, the Department should be notified and provided an opportunity to offer comments regarding the updated information.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide input during the Project planning process. If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Hubbard at (530) 225-2138, or by email at Kristin.Hubbard@wildlife.ca.gov.

Sincerely.

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