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April 18, 2022

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Fire Management Plan, Lower Klamath Project, FERC No. 14803-001

Dear Secretary Bose:

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) has reviewed the Fire Management Plan (December 2021) prepared by the Klamath River Renewal Corporation (KRRC) in support of the proposed removal of four dams in the Lower Klamath Project.

On January 12, 2021, CAL FIRE stated that the actions proposed in the July 2020 version of the plan are adequate to manage constructed-related fire risks, comply with all applicable laws, and will not adversely affect CAL FIRE's ability to provide an adequate and effective firefighting capability in Siskiyou County and beyond. We concluded that the modeling analysis of the incremental risks associated with dam removal was accurate.

Since that time, we have worked closely with the KRRC as it updated the Fire Management Plan. We have considered the material revisions, including the addition of the Paradise Craggy site to the Alert Wildfire system. We conclude that the December 2021 version of the Fire Management Plan, like the prior version, is adequate to address and manage fire risks associated with dam removal.

Please contact Assistant Region Chief John Messina at (530) 329-9891 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Director

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