

**Notice of Exemption**

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**To:**

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**From:**

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**State Clearinghouse Number:** N/A

**Project Title:** Glenwood Open Space Preserve East Trail Crossings (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0234-R3)

**Project Location:** The project is located at West Branch Carbonera Creek a tributary to Carbonera Creek Santos Pond, and unnamed tributaries, in the County of Santa Cruz, State of California; Latitude 37.0713, Longitude - 121.9996 or Section 8, Township 10S, Range 1W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Felton; Assessor's Parcel Number 023-241-22.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0234-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Land Trust of Santa Cruz County.

The Glenwood Open Space Public Access Plan details the construction of 7.6 miles of trail system within approximately 170 acres of the Glenwood Open Space Preserve. Three miles of trail were constructed in 2018 on the western portion of the Glenwood Preserve, and 4.6 miles of trail on the eastern portion of the Glenwood Preserve has not been constructed.

The eastern trail portion will consist of a loop trail that was designed to minimize erosion and avoidance of sensitive resources. For example, the trails were designed with a minimum 100-foot buffer from Scotts Valley spineflower (*Chorizanthe robusta* var. *hartwegii*) and Ohlone tiger beetle (*Cicindela ohlone*) burrows. The eastern trail portion will also cross streams, drainages, and seasonal wetlands.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Land Trust of Santa Cruz County

**Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project will make minor alterations to land to build a recreational trail within an existing open space preserve that will avoid impacts to listed species and sensitive habitats.

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