

### Notice of Exemption

**To:**  Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 [IMS: A-08]  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**From:** Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD**  
P.O. Box 944209  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

**County Clerk (County of):** N/A  
**Project Title:** Peters Creek Flow Enhancement

**Attention:** Alyssa Persau

**Project Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

**Project Location - Specific:** Portola Redwoods State Park, 9000 Portola State Park Rd, La Honda, CA 94020

**Project Location - City:** La Honda

**Project Location - County:** San Mateo

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The purpose of the project is to 1) enhance summer rearing habitat in Peters and Pescadero creeks for the benefit of endangered coho salmon and threatened steelhead by constructing an auxiliary water storage system large enough to allow Portola Redwoods State Park to operate on stored water and eliminate diversion from Peters Creek from June 15 through October 31 and 2) to protect juvenile salmonids that may be present during diversion operation by installing a CDFW and NMFS approved fish screen.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** John P. Donnelly, Executive Director, WCB  
**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (Sec. 15268):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption:

Section 15303, Class 3, New Construction of Small Structures; consists of the construction of new, small facilities or structures.

Section 15304, Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land; consists of minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

Section 15333, Class 33, Small Habitat Restoration Projects; consists of projects not to exceed five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife.

- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project consists of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and the minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and the project does not exceed five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, and protection of habitat for fish and wildlife.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** John P. Donnelly

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** (916) 445-0137

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes (by this notice)  No

Signature: John Donnelly Date: 4/2/2020 Title: Executive Director  
 Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

**Date received for Filing:**

cc: WCB Binder  
WCB Surname  
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