

# Notice of Exemption

**To:**  Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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

**County Clerk (County of):** N/A

**Attention:** Daniel Vasquez

**Project Title:** Samoa Dunes and Wetlands, Project ID: 2018039

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

**Project Location – Specific:** Humboldt County APNs: 401-011-001, 401-011-010, 401-011-012, 401-011-018, 401-011-020, 401-011-023, 401-021-011, 401-021-018, 401-021-027, 401-021-028, 401-021-029, and 401-031-045

**Project Location – City:** Community of Samoa

**Project Location – County:** Humboldt

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** A grant to the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District to acquire in fee 341± acres of land for the protection of coastal dunes and Sitka spruce and beach pine forest habitats in order to promote the recovery of threatened and endangered species, including western snowy plover, little willow flycatcher, beach layia, and Menzie’s wallflower, and provide future wildlife oriented public use opportunities.

**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:** (Check One)

- Ministerial (Sec. 15073):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15071 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15071 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type:  
Section 15313, Class 13 and Section 15325, Class 25
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project involves the acquisition of land for wildlife conservation purposes and the transfer of an ownership interest in land to preserve open space and habitat, including plant or animal habitats.

**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

DocuSigned by:  
Signature: John P. Donnelly Date: 8/26/2020 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:**

Governor’s Office of Planning & Research

**Aug 27 2020**

CC: WCB Binder  
WCB Surname  
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