

# Notice of Exemption

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From: Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)  
3883 Ruffin Road  
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**Title:**

**Location - Specific:** The Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve is approximately 577 acres and bounded by Fiji Way (north), 90 freeway and Freshwater Marsh (east), Carborra Drive (south), and Playa del Rey dunes homes (west).

**Location - City:** Marina Del Rey Vicinity

**Location - County:** Los Angeles

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The overall project seeks to restore native habitat and improve public access along an existing trail. Improvements include restoring and enhancing 1.1 acres of riparian and dune habitat by hand, repairing a badly eroded trail, and extending a drain into a bioswale to prevent future erosion.

**Name of Public Agency Approving the Project:** CDFW

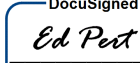
**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Los Angeles Conservation Corp and Friends of Ballona Wetlands

**Exempt Status: (check one)**

- Ministerial (§ 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 21080(b)(4); § 15269(c))
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1 [15301(c)] pedestrian trail repair and Class 33 [15333(d)(4)] hand restoration of native habitat
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15061, subd. (b)(3).)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project passes all criteria under 15301; repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use. Project passes all criteria under 15333; (d)(4) projects to restore or enhance habitat that are carried out principally with hand labor and not mechanized equipment.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Richard Brody, (310) 455-3243

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Date: 10/23/2020

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