

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
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From: Department of Fish and Wildlife
WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD
P.O. Box 944209
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Adam Ballard

Project Title: Online Water Availability Tool, Project ID: 2021017

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location - Specific: Encompasses area covered under State Water Resources Control Board's (2014) Policy for Maintaining Instream Flows in Northern California Coastal Streams (Policy Area). Policy Area covers coastal streams from the Mattole River to San Francisco and coastal streams entering northern San Pablo Bay.

Project Location - City: N/A **Project Location - County:** Marin, Sonoma, Napa Mendocino, & Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project will create an online decision support tool to evaluate water supply and demand in the Policy Area and provide water availability analysis information necessary to develop and permit flow enhancement projects at an increased pace and scale.

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: State Section number and type:
- Statutory Exemption: Section 15262; feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions that the agency has not approved, adopted or funded.

Reasons why project is exempt: Project involves only environmental analysis or planning studies for possible future actions which the agency, board, or commission has not approved, adopted, or funded.

Lead Agency Contact Person: John P. Donnelly

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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: DocuSigned by:
John P. Donnelly
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Date: 4/22/2021

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:

ec: WCB Project Tracker
WCB Board Meeting Folder