

# Notice of Exemption

**To:**  Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113  
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

**Attention:** Cara Allen

**Project Title:** Russian River Watershed Stream Gauging, Project ID: 2021046

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

**Project Location - Specific:** Multiple locations in the Russian River watershed

**Project Location - City:** Healdsburg

**Project Location - County:** Sonoma

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** This scientific study will improve 20 stream gauging sites in the Russian River watershed by repairing or replacing old data loggers, adding elevation markers and staff plates, and modifying 8 of the sites to allow for winter stream flow monitoring. Summer and winter flow data will be collected for three years using the new site benchmarks to form more accurate rating curves for these tributaries.

**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 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities, as repair and maintenance of existing facilities and mechanical equipment; and Section 15306, Class 6, Information Collection; consists of basic data collection, research, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.
- Statutory Exemption:

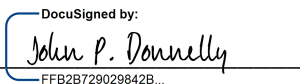
**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project involves repair and maintenance of existing facilities and mechanical equipment; and data collection, research, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

**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:  FFB2B729029842B...

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:**

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WCB Board Meeting Folder