

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
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County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Kurt Malchow

Project Title: El Monte Preserve Cactus Scrub Restoration

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location - Specific: The El Monte Preserve is located along the upper San Diego River in Lakeside, an unincorporated community in San Diego County.

Project Location – Nearest City: Santee, CA

Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this project is to restore approximately 15 acres of cactus scrub habitat within the El Monte Preserve, to help satisfy several objectives outlined in the County of San Diego Multiple Species Conservation Plan Subarea Plan. WCB Project ID: 2021101.

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. 15268):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type: 15304. Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project involves removal of invasive vegetation and re-establishment of native plants to create habitat beneficial for the state and federally listed coastal cactus wren, on a designated wildlife preserve.

Lead Agency Contact Person: John P. Donnelly

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 205-4730

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: 

Date: 11/19/2021

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