

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
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County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Celestial Reysner

Project Title: White Mountain Research Center Energy and Water Efficiency

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location - Specific: White Mountain Research Center (WMRC) Owens Valley Station is located 3 miles east of Bishop on a 32-acre plot. Crooked Creek Station is situated in the heart of the White Mountains at 10,100 ft on USFS land.

Project Location - City: Bishop

Project Location - County: Inyo and Mono

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed will provide necessary infrastructure to meet the needs of the growing community and future interest in WMRC. The new infrastructure will alleviate stress upon the current inadequate and undersized systems. WCB Project ID: 2021109.

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: Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15303, Class 3 (New Construction)
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

Reasons why project is exempt: Project will consist of a 16,000Ah battery bank at Crooked Creek, an energy efficient domestic well, an upgraded 600amp service panel and a 52Kw solar parking structure at Owens Valley Station.

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.

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ec: WCB Project Tracker
WCB Board Meeting Folder