

Notice of Exemption

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12/10/2021

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): CA Natural Resources Agency
715 P Street, 20th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

County Clerk

County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: Clara Oaks Acquisition Project

Project Applicant: Claremont Wildlands Conservancy

Project Location - Specific:

Latitude: 34.133689000 Longitude: -117.738337000; Webb Canyon Road, Claremont

Project Location - City: Claremont

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project will acquire 103 acres to add to the City of Claremont's 2,507-acre Claremont Hills Wilderness Park. The project will protect in perpetuity 6.6 acres of riparian habitat, protect water supply, provide groundwater recharge, reduce wildfire risk, and prevent development.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Natural Resources Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Claremont Wildlands Conservancy

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15325 Class 25; 15313 Class 13
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15325 Class 25: transfer of ownership of interests in land in order to preserve existing natural conditions and historical resources; requires no plan review.

Section 15313.Class 13: Acquisition of lands for wildlife conservation purposes.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Ron Benny

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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 No

Signature: Andrea Scharffer

Date: 12/10/2021

Title: Deputy Assistant Secretary

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____