

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: San Mateo

Attn: Special Services 555 County Center, First Floor

Redwood City, CA 94063

**From:** (Public Agency): San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority  
1515 Clay Street, 10th Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

(Address)

Project Title: Baylands Habitat Restoration and Community Engagement in East Palo Alto

Project Applicant: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

Project Location - Specific:

**Ravenswood Open Space Preserve and Cooly Landing Park**

Project Location - City: East Palo Alto Project Location - County: San Mateo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Grassroots Ecology will restore and enhance marsh-upland transition zone habitat along the San Francisco Bay Trail in Ravenswood Open Space Preserve and at Cooley Landing, work with East Palo Alto-based community groups to provide restoration training and organize stewardship events, and hire local young adults for restoration internships.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Grassroots Ecology

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: Small Habitat Restoration Projects - 15333
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is exempt because the habitat restoration component of the project does not exceed five acres in size and is designed to assure the restoration and enhancement of habitat for fish, plants, and wildlife by revegetating disturbed areas with native plant species through the use of hand labor only.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Virgilio Cuasay Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 510-286-0325

**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: Virgilio Cuasay Date: 7/14/2022 Title: Project Manager

X 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.

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