

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

From: (Public Agency): Fish and Wildlife
3883 Ruffin Rd
San Diego, CA 92123

(Address)

Project Title: Exotic Tree Removal

Project Applicant: Department of Fish and Wildlife

Project Location - Specific:

Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve

Project Location - City: Huntington Beach Project Location - County: Orange County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project is the removal of nonnative trees (Tamarisk and Mexican fan palms) to reduce the fuel load next to neighboring housing developments. The Project will be conducted on Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve and State Lands Commission property which the Department manages.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Fish and Wildlife

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Vincent Charles

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: 15304. Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Minor alterations in vegetation on existing officially designated wildlife management (ER) areas which result in improvement of habitat and wildlife resources.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Lowry Pierich Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 805-826-8641

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: *Edmund Pert* Date: 8/4/2022 Title: Regional Manager, South Coast Region
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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: _____