

## Notice of Exemption

<b>To:</b> Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95814  <b>County Clerk (County of):</b> N/A	<b>From:</b> Department of Fish and Wildlife <b>Wildlife Conservation Board</b> P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 99244-2090  <b>Attention:</b> Aaron N.K. Haiman
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**Project Title:** Ventura Watershed Flow Enhancement and Resiliency Framework Planning, Phase 2

**Project Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

**Project Location – Specific: APN(s)**  
 Watershed wide.

**Project Location – City:** Ventura, Ojai, Meiners Oaks, Mira Monte, Live Oak Acres, Oak View

**Project Location – County:** Ventura

**CEQA Region:** Southern California

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:**

This planning project will utilize best available science and stakeholder involvement to maximize connected water resources for the benefit of stream flow enhancement, native species, and habitat rehabilitation for an identified high priority watershed and promotion of climate change adaptation and resilience. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2022034

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the 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:  
 Statutory Exemptions, State code Number: 15262

**Reasons why this project is exempt:**

This project involves only planning activities with no on-the-ground impacts, and so is covered under CEQA as statutory exemption 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies.

**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:** DocuSigned by: *John P. Donnelly* **Title:** Executive Director **Date:** 8/30/2022

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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