

## 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> Joseph Navari
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**Project Title:** China Hill, Expansion 4

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

**Project Location – Specific: APN(s)**  
053-591-360

**Project Location – City:** Yreka

**Project Location – County:** Siskiyou

**CEQA Region:** N.CA

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

To consider the allocation for a grant to Siskiyou Land Trust and the acceptance of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Recovery Land Acquisition Grant and the approval to sub-grant these federal funds to the City, to acquire fee title to 21± acres of land for the protection of Yreka phlox, a wildflower endemic to China Hill and other surrounding foothill areas, located in the city of Yreka, Siskiyou County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the proposed funding source which provides matching funds for the acquisition, restoration or protection of habitat or habitat corridors that promote the recovery of threatened, endangered, or fully protected species. WCB Project Tracker ID 2018115.

**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: Sec.15313, Class13 & Sec.15325, Class 25  
 Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

**Reasons why this project is exempt:**

Project involves the acquisition of land for wildlife conservation purposes and the transfer of an ownership interest in land to preserve open space and habitat, including plant or animal habitats.

**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:** 11/16/2022  
 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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