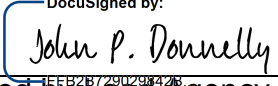


## Notice of Exemption

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| <b>To:</b> Office of Planning and Research<br>State Clearinghouse<br>1400 Tenth Street, Room 113<br>Sacramento, CA 95814<br><br><b>County Clerk (County of):</b> N/A  | <b>From:</b> Department of Fish and Wildlife<br><b>Wildlife Conservation Board</b><br>P.O. Box 944209<br>Sacramento, CA 99244-2090<br><br><b>Attention:</b> David Dodds |
| <b>Project Title:</b> Pereira Ranch Conservation Easement   |   |
| <b>Project Applicant:</b> Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)   |   |
| <b>Project Location – Specific: APN(s)</b><br>076-041-002 and 076-021-031   |   |
| <b>Project Location – City:</b> 6 miles Northwest of the city of San Luis Obispo  |   |
| <b>Project Location – County:</b> San Luis Obispo   |   |
| <b>CEQA Region:</b> S. CA   |   |
| <b>Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:</b><br>For the purposes of promoting the protection and restoration of natural ecosystems to provide climate change adaptation and resilience, facilitating the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, increasing carbon sequestration in natural and working lands, and providing additional social, economic, and environmental benefits, or co-benefits all as may be consistent with wildlife habitat preservation and protection of sensitive biological resources, including, without limitation, the natural, ecological, educational, scenic, forestry, and open-space values. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2020104. |   |
| <b>Public Agency Approving Project:</b> Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB  |   |
| <b>Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project:</b> John P. Donnelly, Executive Director, WCB   |   |
| <b>Exempt Status: (Check One)</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial (Sec. 15268):<br><input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type: Sec.15313, Class13 & Sec.15325, Class 25<br><input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:   |   |
| <b>Reasons why this project is exempt:</b><br>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.   |   |
| <b>Lead Agency Contact Person:</b> John P. Donnelly   |   |
| <b>Area Code/Telephone Extension:</b> (916) 205-4730  |   |
| <b>If filed by applicant:</b> 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.<br>2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, (by this notice) <input type="checkbox"/> No   |   |
| <b>Signature:</b> <small>DocuSigned by:</small><br>  | <b>Title:</b> Executive Director  |
| <b>Date:</b> 11/16/2022   |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signed by Lead Agency   | <input type="checkbox"/> Signed by Applicant  |
| Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.<br>Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code  | <b>SCH #:</b><br><b>Posted Date:</b><br><b>Date Received for Filing at OPR:</b>   |