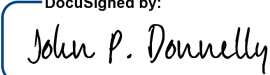


Notice of Exemption

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| To: Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95814 County Clerk (County of): N/A | From: Department of Fish and Wildlife Wildlife Conservation Board P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 99244-2090 Attention: Candice Marg |
| Project Title: Santa Cruz Long-toed Salamander (Hasan) | |
| Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) | |
| Project Location – Specific: APN(s) 053-131-30 | |
| Project Location – City: Aptos | |
| Project Location – County: Santa Cruz | |
| CEQA Region: N. CA | |
| Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project: For the protection and preservation of habitat critical to the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander and the California red-legged frog. The property also contains wetlands, coastal terrace prairie, a rare grassland habitat found on ancient marine terraces, and central coast riparian scrub. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2021131. | |
| 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) <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial (Sec. 15268): <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]: <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]: <input type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemptions, State code Number: Public Resources Code 21080.28 | |
| 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? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, (by this notice) <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| Signature: <small>DocuSigned by:</small>  | Title: Executive Director |
| Date: 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. Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code | SCH #: Posted Date: Date Received for Filing at OPR: |