

## 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> David Dodds
<b>Project Title:</b> (CAL FIRE) Mattole Headwaters Conservation Easement	
<b>Project Applicant:</b> Wildlife Conservation Board	
<b>Project Location – Specific: APN(s)</b>	
215-151-003-000, 215-151-004-000, 215-151-005-000, 215-151-007-000, 215-181-003-000 (portion), 215-181-005-000, 215-181-010-000, 215-181-032-000, 215-181-033-000, 215-182-002-000, 215-182-003-000, 215-182-007-000, 215-191-015-000, 215-191-016-000, 215-191-022-000, 215-192-003-000, 215-192-008-000, 215-192-009-000, 215-192-010-000, 215-192-011-000, 215-192-012-000, 215-192-013-000, 215-192-015-000, 215-192-017-000, & 215-192-019-000	
<b>Project Location – City:</b> Near Whitehorn	
<b>Project Location – County:</b> Humboldt	
<b>CEQA Region:</b> N. CA	
<b>Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:</b>	
Acceptance of a conservation easement over 1,163± acres of land by CAL FIRE for the protection of managed forest lands and forest reserve areas that include Douglas fir, old growth redwood and riparian corridors. WCB Project Tracker ID 2020089.	
<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>	
<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	
<b>Reasons why this project is exempt:</b>	
Per PRC 21080.28, acquisition of an interest in land by a public agency. 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. 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> <i>John P. Donnelly</i>	<b>Title:</b> Executive Director
<b>Date:</b> 2/17/2023	
<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	<b>SCH #:</b> <b>Posted Date:</b> <b>Date Received for Filing at OPR:</b>