

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority
1515 Clay St., 10th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

(Address)

Project Title: Berkeley North Basin Project

Project Applicant: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

Project Location - Specific:

North Basin Strip and Berkeley Meadow within McLaughlin Eastshore State Park

Project Location - City: Berkeley Project Location - County: Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

East Bay Regional Park District will conduct environmental studies and prepare environmental documentation under the California Environmental Quality Act, assess the feasibility of daylighting Schoolhouse Creek, conduct community engagement, and prepare preliminary designs for the restoration of shoreline habitats and associated trails.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: East Bay Regional Park District

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15306 for information collection
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15262 in that the proposed project will prepare studies for future actions

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed project is categorically exempt from CEQA under 14 Cal. Code Regulation Section 15306 for information collection because it consists of basic data collection and resource evaluation activities that will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The proposed project is a part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded. The project is also statutorily exempt under 14 Cal. Code Regulation Section 15262 in that the proposed project will prepare studies for future actions that have not yet been approved, adopted, or funded.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jessica Davenport Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 510-286-4164

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 No

Signature: Jessica Davenport Date: 3/7/2023 Title: Deputy Program Manager

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____