

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Department of Fish and Wildlife
Wildlife Conservation Board
P.O. Box 944209
Sacramento, CA 99244-2090

County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: James Croft

Project Title: Butte Valley Wildlife Area Wetland Enhancement Phase II

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

Butte Valley Wildlife Area, 5109 Meiss Lake Rd, Macdoel CA 96058

Project Location – City: 5 miles west of Macdoel, CA

Project Location – County: Siskiyou

CEQA Region: N. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

The project objectives include: increasing the quality of wetland habitat for wildlife by improving management capabilities; developing and flooding a new waterfowl brood/molting habitat complex; providing the ability to drain seasonal wetlands to promote the growth of moist soil seed producing plants; installing a solar array; installing a low lift pump water recovery system; improving water use efficiency by updating water delivery/drainage infrastructure and filling in deep borrow ditches and providing increased recreational opportunities. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2023020

Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Rebecca J. Fris, Acting 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: 15304, Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- Other:

Reasons why this project is exempt:

Project involves the enhancement of water delivery infrastructure, and enhancement of wetland habitat at the Butte Valley Wildlife Area, an existing officially designated wildlife management area. Completion of the project will result in the improvement of habitat for migratory birds.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Rebecca J. Fris

Area Code/Telephone Extension: (916) 212-5637

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:
Rebecca J. Fris

Title: Acting Executive Director

Date: 5/31/2023

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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