

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: Jasen Yee

Project Title: Rana Creek Ranch

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

197-061-048; 197-061-070; 197-241-002; 197-241-003; 197-241-004; 197-241-005; 197-241-006; 416-451-018; (NEW APNS: 416-461-039-000 AND 416-461-040-000); 416-461-018; (NEWAPNS: 416-461-043-000 AND 416-461-044-000); 416-461-020 (NEW APNS: 416-461-041-000 AND 416-461-042-000); 416-461-029; 416-461-030; 417-061-003; 417-061-004; 417-121-001; 417-121-002; 417-121-003; 417-121-015; 417-121-016; 417-121-017 and 417-121-018

Project Location – City: Carmel Valley

Project Location – County: Monterey

CEQA Region: S. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

This project involves a grant to The Wildlands Conservancy to acquire 11,691± acres of land for the protection of upland and lowland habitats consisting of chaparral, oak woodlands, and rolling grasslands along with seasonal creeks that provide riparian corridors for numerous wildlife species located in Carmel Valley in Monterey County. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2022072

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: Section 15313, Class 13 and Section 15325, Class 25
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- Other:

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: 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: 6/1/2023

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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